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Address 1:	Hearing will be held virtually through WebEx		
Address 2:			
City:	Nashville		
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Hearing Date:	03/29/2021		
Hearing Time:	1 p.m.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X CST/CDT	<input type="checkbox"/> EST/EDT

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Revision Type (check all that apply):

- Amendment
 New
 Repeal

Rule(s) (ALL chapters and rules contained in filing must be listed. If needed, copy and paste additional tables to accommodate more than one chapter. Please enter only **ONE** Rule Number/Rule Title per row.)

Chapter Number	Chapter Title
0250-04-09	Standards for Child-Placing Agencies
Rule Number	Rule Title
0250-04-09-.07	Foster Homes

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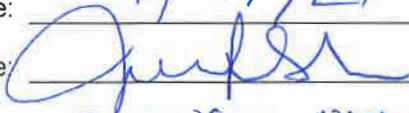
Rule 0250-04-09-.07 is amended by deleting the text of subparagraph (5) of the Rule and substituting instead the following language, so that, as amended, subparagraph (5) of the Rule shall read

- (5) Maternity foster homes shall not have more than three (3) young pregnant women at one time. A foster home may have no more than six (6) foster children placed in a home. The foster home may exceed the six foster children maximum when:
- (a) exceeding the maximum would allow a parenting youth to remain with his/her child;
 - (b) exceeding the maximum would allow a youth with a meaningful relationship with a family to stay with the foster family or be placed with the foster family;
 - (c) exceeding the maximum would allow a sibling group to remain together;
 - (d) exceeding the maximum would allow a family with special training or skills to care for a child with severe disabilities; or
 - (e) exceeding the maximum is determined to be appropriate by the Department.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 37-5-105; 37-5-106; and 37-5-502.

I certify that the information included in this filing is an accurate and complete representation of the intent and scope of rulemaking proposed by the agency.

Date: 1/27/21

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Name of Officer: Jennifer Nichols

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