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PART B:

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1. AGE LIMITS  
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In some cases but not all. The government itself does not seem to follow the rules that are in place. There was age limits put in foster care that are not being adhered to. I know sometimes circumstances are difficult but please don't blame others for the stupidity of the government. Children's lives should come first.

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2. DESIGNATED SERVICES  
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NO!!There are too many hoops to jump through. The Advocate should be able to work with the children i.e. give them the things that they need.

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3. ROLE AND FUNCTIONS  
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The Advocate should be able to do a LOT more.

His hands are tied by the system that he works within. He should be able to work with the children off the street that need him also.

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4. POWERS  
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NO...He needs more freedom within the Act.

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5. INFORMATION PROTECTION  
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No. No. The wrong people seem to find out what is going on and are able to sabotage the results...Many times he does not have enough information.

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6. INVESTIGATIONS

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Yes - more different issues.

He should be able to conduct investigations as he sees fit.

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7. REPORTING

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NO. They should contain more, and in some cases, different.

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8. OTHER

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I have been a foster parent in this province for 49 years and have seen too many changes, too many MISTAKES, and ultimately too many breakdowns with tragic outcomes.

PART C: HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THIS REVIEW?

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