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## newswatch

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## Moving On The Cheap

IS THERE A MORE EFFICIENT way to move lower-rung employees than hiring big-ticket movers? You could hand the employee a stipend to rent a truck, but that might create some liability issues. A Chicago-based company called MiniMoves has carved out a niche between those two alternatives, offering full-service moves with no minimum-weight requirements.

"We're best suited for young, entry-level employees with 12 boxes, a futon, and a bicycle," says MiniMoves founder and president Jack Arslanian.

The service often saves as much as \$500 to \$700 a move for entry-level hires, says Patrick Carroll, manager of human resources at A.T. Kearney Inc., a Chicago-based management consulting firm. He says national carriers tend to price at a minimum of 1,000 pounds, even when the load is less.

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▶▶▶ *TRANSFER COSTS: Average cost of transferring an employee who owned a home was \$42,160 in 1998, says Runzheimer International.*