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SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR

SENATE BILL NO. 720

97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Reported from the Committee on Seniors, Families and Pensions, March 6, 2014, with recommendation that the Senate Committee Substitute do pass.

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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

AN ACT

To repeal section 210.027, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to child care businesses.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 210.027, RSMo, is repealed and one new section
2 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 210.027, to read as follows:

210.027. For child-care [providers who] **businesses that** receive state or
2 federal funds for providing child-care [services in the home] **fee assistance**,
3 either by direct payment or through reimbursement to a child-care beneficiary,
4 the department of social services shall:

5 (1) **Establish publicly available website access to business-**
6 **specific information about any health and safety licensing or regulatory**
7 **requirements for the business, and including dates of inspections,**
8 **history of violations, and compliance actions taken, as well as the**
9 **consumer education information required under subdivision (12) of this**
10 **section;**

11 (2) **Establish or designate one hotline for parents to submit**
12 **complaints about child care businesses;**

13 (3) Be authorized to revoke the registration of a registered [provider]
14 **child care business** for due cause;

15 [(2)] (4) Require [providers] **employees and volunteers working in**
16 **child care businesses** to be at least eighteen years of age;

17 [(3)] (5) **Establish minimum requirements for building and**
18 **physical premises to include:**

EXPLANATION—Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

19 **(a) Compliance with state and local fire, health, and building**
20 **codes, which shall include the ability to evacuate children in the case**
21 **of an emergency; and**

22 **(b) Emergency preparedness and response planning.**

23 **Child care businesses shall meet these minimum requirements prior to**
24 **receiving federal assistance.** Where there are no local ordinances or
25 regulations regarding smoke detectors, **the department shall require**
26 **[providers] child care businesses**, by rule, to install and maintain an adequate
27 number of smoke detectors in the residence **or other building** where child care
28 is provided;

29 **[(4)] (6) Require [providers] employees and other persons who have**
30 **contact with children** to be tested for tuberculosis **on the schedule required**
31 **for employees in licensed facilities;**

32 **[(5)] (7) Require [providers] business owners** to notify parents if [the
33 provider does not have] **there is no** immediate access to a telephone;

34 **[(6)] (8) Make [providers] business owners and employees** aware of
35 local opportunities for training in first aid and child care;

36 **(9) Promulgate rules and regulations to define pre-service**
37 **training requirements for child care business owners and employees**
38 **pursuant to applicable federal laws and regulations;**

39 **(10) Establish procedures for conducting unscheduled onsite**
40 **monitoring of child care businesses prior to receiving state or federal**
41 **funds for providing child care services either by direct payment or**
42 **through reimbursement to a child care beneficiary, and annually**
43 **thereafter;**

44 **(11) Require child care business owners who receive assistance**
45 **under applicable federal laws and regulations to report to the**
46 **department any serious injuries or death of children occurring in child**
47 **care;**

48 **(12) With input from statewide stakeholders such as parents,**
49 **child care business owners or administrators, and system advocate**
50 **groups, establish a transparent system of quality indicators appropriate**
51 **to the business setting that shall provide parents with a way to**
52 **differentiate between child care businesses available in their**
53 **communities as required by federal rules. The system shall describe**
54 **the standards used to assess the quality of child care businesses and**
55 **the measurement approaches for such assessment. The system shall**

56 indicate whether the business meets Missouri's registration or licensing
57 standards, is in compliance with applicable health and safety
58 requirements, and the nature of any violations related to registration
59 or licensing requirements. The system shall also indicate if the
60 business utilizes nationally-recognized curricula and if the business
61 owner and employees are in compliance with staff educational
62 requirements.

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