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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

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AN ACT

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

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Section A. Section 210.027, RSMo, is repealed and one new section 2 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 210.027, to read as follows: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

- 2 providing child-care services in the home either by direct payment or through
- 3 reimbursement to a child-care beneficiary, the department of social services shall:
- 4 (1) Establish a publicly available website listing provider specific

information about any health and safety licensing or regulatory

- 6 requirements met by the provider including dates of inspection, history
 - of violations, and compliance actions taken;
- 8 (2) Establish or designate a hotline for parents to submit 9 complaints about child care providers;
- 10 **(3)** Be authorized to revoke the registration of a registered provider for 11 due cause;
- 12 [(2)] (4) Require providers to be at least eighteen years of age;
- 13 [(3)] (5) Establish minimum requirements for building and 14 physical premises to include:
- 15 (a) Compliance with state and local fire, health, and building 16 codes, which shall include the ability to evacuate children in the case 17 of an emergency; and
- 18 **(b)** Emergency preparedness and response planning.
- 19 Providers shall meet these minimum requirements prior to receiving

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

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20 federal assistance. Where there are no local ordinances or regulations

- regarding smoke detectors, the department shall require providers, by rule, to
- install and maintain an adequate number of smoke detectors in the residence
- 23where child care is provided;

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- [(4)] **(6)** Require providers to be tested for tuberculosis;
- 25[(5)] (7) Require providers to notify parents if the provider does not have immediate access to a telephone; 26
- 27 [(6) Make providers aware of local opportunities for training in first aid and child care.] 28
 - (8) Promulgate rules and regulations to define pre-service training requirements for child care providers pursuant to applicable federal laws and regulations;
- 32(9) Establish procedures for conducting onsite monitoring of 33 child care providers prior to receiving state or federal funds for 34 providing child care services in the home either by direct payment or through reimbursement to a child care beneficiary, and annually 35 36 thereafter;
- 37 (10) Require providers that receive assistance under applicable federal laws and regulations to report to the department any serious 38 39 injuries or death of children occurring in child care;
- (11) Establish a child care indicator system that shall provide parents with a way to differentiate between child care providers as required by federal regulations. The system shall indicate whether the provider meets Missouri's registration or licensing standards, is in compliance with applicable health and safety requirements, and if the provider has any violations related to registration or licensing 46 requirements. The system shall also indicate if the provider utilizes nationally recognized curricula and if the provider is in compliance with staff educational requirements.

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