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## 97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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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 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Section A. Section 210.027, RSMo, is repealed and one new section 2 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 210.027, to read as follows: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] **fee assistance**, either by direct 3 payment or through reimbursement to a child-care beneficiary, the department 4 of social services shall:

5 (1) Establish publicly available website access to provider-6 specific information about any health and safety licensing or regulatory 7 requirements for the providers, 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 providers;

(3) Be authorized to revoke the registration of a registered provider fordue cause;

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[(2)] (4) Require providers to be at least eighteen years of age;

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

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

21 (b) Emergency preparedness and response planning.

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

[(4)] (6) Require providers to be tested for tuberculosis on the schedule
required for employees in licensed facilities;

[(5)] (7) Require providers to notify parents if the provider does not have
immediate access to a telephone;

31 [(6)] (8) Make providers aware of local opportunities for training in first 32 aid and child care;

(9) Promulgate rules and regulations to define pre-service
 training requirements for child care providers and employees pursuant
 to applicable federal laws and regulations;

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

41 (11) Require child care providers who receive assistance under
42 applicable federal laws and regulations to report to the department any
43 serious injuries or death of children occurring in child care;

(12) With input from statewide stakeholders such as parents, 44 45child care providers or administrators, and system advocate groups, establish a transparent system of quality indicators appropriate to the 46 47 provider setting that shall provide parents with a way to differentiate between child care providers available in their communities as 48required by federal rules. The system shall describe the standards used 49 50to assess the quality of child care providers and the measurement approaches for such assessment. The system shall indicate whether the 51

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52 provider meets Missouri's registration or licensing standards, is in 53 compliance with applicable health and safety requirements, and the 54 nature of any violations related to registration or licensing 55 requirements. The system shall also indicate if the provider utilizes 56 nationally-recognized curricula and if the provider is in compliance 57 with staff educational requirements.

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