

HOUSE BILL No. 4742

April 24, 1991, Introduced by Reps. Dobronski, Baade, DeMars, Stallworth, Pitoniak, Wallace, Perry Bullard, Gubow and London and referred to the Committee on Senior Citizens and Retirement.

A bill to encourage intergenerational day care; and to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state agencies and departments.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as "the
2 intergenerational day care center act".

3 Sec. 2. As used in this act:

4 (a) "Department" means the department of commerce.

5 (b) "Intergenerational day care center" means either a day
6 care center as defined in section 1 of Act No. 116 of the Public
7 Acts of 1973, being section 722.111 of the Michigan Compiled
8 Laws, that provides opportunities for older persons and children
9 to interact, or a center for the daytime care of functionally
10 impaired older persons through a structured program of social,
11 rehabilitative, or maintenance services that includes regular

1 interaction with children. Intergenerational day care center
2 includes, but is not limited to, all of the following:

3 (i) Children's day care centers and adult day care centers
4 that are located in the same facility or in adjacent facilities
5 and that offer programs that combine the generations.

6 (ii) Children's day care centers that use older persons as
7 workers and volunteers.

8 (iii) Day care that is provided at a nursing home for the
9 children of employees or for older persons related to employees
10 of the nursing home and that incorporates programs that combine
11 the generations.

12 (iv) Day care that is provided for the children of employees
13 or for older persons related to employees at a workplace or at
14 other facilities, that offers programs that combine the genera-
15 tions, and that is established through the joint efforts of
16 employers, the office, and area agencies on aging.

17 (c) "Nursing home" means that term as defined in section
18 20109 of the public health code, Act No. 368 of the Public Acts
19 of 1978, being section 333.20109 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

20 (d) "Office" means the office of services to the aging cre-
21 ated in section 5 of the older Michiganians act, Act No. 180 of
22 the Public Acts of 1981, being section 400.585 of the Michigan
23 Compiled Laws.

24 Sec. 3. (1) The department shall establish an intergenera-
25 tional day care center program to help meet the day care needs of
26 this state and to provide opportunities for children and older
27 persons to benefit from interaction with each other. The

1 department shall consult with the department of social services,
2 the department of public health, and the department of mental
3 health in setting up the program.

4 (2) The department shall do all of the following:

5 (a) Cooperate with the office in encouraging businesses and
6 older persons to join together in the provision of child care.

7 (b) Distribute information to Michigan businesses regarding
8 the availability of older persons as child care workers or volun-
9 teers for employer-provided child care centers, and the avail-
10 ability of grants pursuant to subdivision (c).

11 (c) Develop a grant program to encourage businesses to fur-
12 nish space for intergenerational day care centers or to establish
13 intergenerational day care centers for their employees. The
14 department may accept gifts of money or property for this
15 purpose. The department shall use money appropriated by the leg-
16 islature or available from any other source to award grants to
17 employers to be used for compensating staff, paying for supplies,
18 and paying for other operating expenses of intergenerational day
19 care centers.

20 Sec. 4. The department shall promulgate rules to implement
21 this act pursuant to the administrative procedures act of 1969,
22 Act No. 306 of the Public Acts of 1969, being sections 24.201 to
23 24.328 of the Michigan Compiled Laws. The rules shall provide
24 for application procedures for grants, criteria for the awarding
25 of grants, and any other matters necessary to implement the
26 intergenerational day care center program.

1 Sec. 5. This act shall not take effect unless Senate Bill
2 No. ____ or House Bill No. 4746 (request no. 00749'91) of the
3 86th Legislature is enacted into law.