SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 5110

A bill to amend 1973 PA 116, entitled

"An act to provide for the protection of children through the licensing and regulation of child care organizations; to provide for the establishment of standards of care for child care organizations; to prescribe powers and duties of certain departments of this state and adoption facilitators; to provide penalties; and to repeal acts and parts of acts,"

by amending section 1 (MCL 722.111), as amended by 2002 PA 696.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 1. (1) As used in this act:
- 2 (a) "Child care organization" means a governmental or
- 3 nongovernmental organization having as its principal function the
- 4 receiving of minor children for care, maintenance, training, and
- 5 supervision, notwithstanding that educational instruction may be
- 6 given. Child care organization includes organizations commonly

- 1 described as child caring institutions, child placing agencies,
- 2 children's camps, child care centers, day care centers, nursery
- 3 schools, parent cooperative preschools, foster homes, group homes,
- 4 or day care homes. Child care organization does not include a
- 5 governmental or nongovernmental organization that does either of
- 6 the following:
- 7 (i) Provides care exclusively to minors who have been
- 8 emancipated by court order -pursuant to UNDER section 4(3) of 1968
- **9** PA 293, MCL 722.4.
- 10 (ii) Provides care exclusively to persons who are 18 years of
- 11 age or older and to minors who have been emancipated by court order
- 12 pursuant to UNDER section 4(3) of 1968 PA 293, MCL 722.4, at the
- 13 same location.
- 14 (b) "Child caring institution" means a child care facility
- 15 that is organized for the purpose of receiving minor children for
- 16 care, maintenance, and supervision, usually on a 24-hour basis, in
- 17 buildings maintained by the child caring institution for that
- 18 purpose, and operates throughout the year. An educational program
- 19 may be provided, but the educational program shall not be the
- 20 primary purpose of the facility. Child caring institution includes
- 21 a maternity home for the care of unmarried mothers who are minors
- 22 and an agency group home, that is described as a small child caring
- 23 institution owned, leased, or rented by a licensed agency providing
- 24 care for more than 4 but less than 13 minor children. Child caring
- 25 institution also includes institutions for mentally retarded or
- 26 emotionally disturbed minor children. Child caring institution does
- 27 not include a hospital, nursing home, or home for the aged licensed

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- 1 under article 17 of the public health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL
- 2 333.20101 to 333.22260, a boarding school licensed under section
- 3 1335 of the revised school code, 1976 PA 451, MCL 380.1335, a
- 4 hospital or facility operated by the state or licensed under the
- 5 mental health code, 1974 PA 258, MCL 330.1001 to 330.2106, or an
- 6 adult foster care family home or an adult foster care small group
- 7 home licensed under the adult foster care facility licensing act,
- 8 1979 PA 218, MCL 400.701 to 400.737, in which a child has been
- 9 placed pursuant to **UNDER** section 5(6).
- 10 (c) "Child placing agency" means a governmental organization
- 11 or an agency organized -pursuant to UNDER the nonprofit
- 12 corporation act, 1982 PA 162, MCL 450.2101 to 450.3192, for the
- 13 purpose of receiving children for placement in private family homes
- 14 for foster care or for adoption. The function of a child placing
- 15 agency may include investigating applicants for adoption and
- 16 investigating and certifying foster family homes and foster family
- 17 group homes as provided in this act. The function of a child
- 18 placing agency may also include supervising children who are 16 or
- 19 17 years of age and who are living in unlicensed residences as
- 20 provided in section 5(4).
- 21 (d) "Children's camp" means a residential, <<day,>> troop, or
- 22 travel camp THAT PROVIDES CARE AND SUPERVISION AND IS conducted in
- 23 a natural environment for more than 4 school-age children, apart
- 24 from the children's parents, relatives, or legal guardians, for 5
- 25 or more days in a 14-day period. << A children's camp provides care
- 26 and supervision for the same group of children for usually not more
- 27 than 12 weeks.>>

- 1 (e) "Child care center" or "day care center" means a facility,
- 2 other than a private residence, receiving 1 or more preschool or
- 3 school-age children for care for periods of less than 24 hours a
- 4 day, and where the parents or guardians are not immediately
- 5 available to the child. Child care center or day care center
- 6 includes a facility that provides care for not less than 2
- 7 consecutive weeks, regardless of the number of hours of care per
- 8 day. The facility is generally described as a child care center,
- 9 day care center, day nursery, nursery school, parent cooperative
- 10 preschool, play group, BEFORE- OR AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM, or drop-in
- 11 center. Child care center or day care center does not include any
- 12 of the following:
- (i) A Sunday school, a vacation bible school, or a religious
- 14 instructional class that is conducted by a religious organization
- 15 where children are attending for not more than 3 hours per day for
- 16 an indefinite period or for not more than 8 hours per day for a
- 17 period not to exceed 4 weeks during a 12-month period.
- 18 (ii) A facility operated by a religious organization where
- 19 children are cared for not more than 3 hours while persons
- 20 responsible for the children are attending religious services.
- 21 (iii) -Beginning July 1, 2003, a facility or program for school-
- 22 age children that is operated at a school by a public school or by
- 23 a person or entity with whom a public school contracts for
- 24 services, in accordance with section 1285a(2) of the revised school
- 25 code, 1976 PA 451, MCL 380.1285a, if that facility or program has
- 26 been granted an exemption under subsection (2). A PROGRAM THAT IS
- 27 PRIMARILY SUPERVISED, SCHOOL-AGE-CHILD-FOCUSED TRAINING IN A

- 1 SPECIFIC SUBJECT, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, DANCING, DRAMA,
- 2 MUSIC, OR RELIGION. THIS EXCLUSION APPLIES ONLY TO THE TIME A CHILD
- 3 IS INVOLVED IN SUPERVISED, SCHOOL-AGE-CHILD-FOCUSED TRAINING.
- 4 (iv) A PROGRAM THAT IS PRIMARILY AN INCIDENT OF GROUP ATHLETIC
- 5 OR SOCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR SCHOOL-AGE CHILDREN SPONSORED BY OR UNDER
- 6 THE SUPERVISION OF AN ORGANIZED CLUB OR HOBBY GROUP, INCLUDING, BUT
- 7 NOT LIMITED TO, YOUTH CLUBS, SCOUTING, AND SCHOOL-AGE RECREATIONAL
- 8 OR SUPPLEMENTARY EDUCATION PROGRAMS. THIS EXCLUSION APPLIES ONLY TO
- 9 THE TIME THE SCHOOL-AGE CHILD IS ENGAGED IN THE GROUP ATHLETIC OR
- 10 SOCIAL ACTIVITIES AND IF THE SCHOOL-AGE CHILD CAN COME AND GO AT
- 11 WILL.
- 12 (f) "Private home" means a private residence in which the
- 13 licensee or registrant permanently resides as a member of the
- 14 household, which residency is not contingent upon caring for
- 15 children or employment by a licensed or approved child placing
- 16 agency. Private home includes a full-time foster family home, a
- 17 full-time foster family group home, a group day care home, or a
- 18 family day care home, as follows:
- 19 (i) "Foster family home" is a private home in which 1 but not
- 20 more than 4 minor children, who are not related to an adult member
- 21 of the household by blood or marriage, or who are not placed in the
- 22 household pursuant to UNDER the Michigan adoption code, chapter X
- 23 of the probate code of 1939, 1939 PA 288, MCL 710.21 to 710.70, are
- 24 given care and supervision for 24 hours a day, for 4 or more days a
- 25 week, for 2 or more consecutive weeks, unattended by a parent or
- 26 legal guardian.
- 27 (ii) "Foster family group home" means a private home in which

- 1 more than 4 but fewer than 7 minor children, who are not related to
- 2 an adult member of the household by blood or marriage, or who are
- 3 not placed in the household pursuant to UNDER the Michigan
- 4 adoption code, chapter X of the probate code of 1939, 1939 PA 288,
- 5 MCL 710.21 to 710.70, are provided care for 24 hours a day, for 4
- 6 or more days a week, for 2 or more consecutive weeks, unattended by
- 7 a parent or legal guardian.
- 8 (iii) "Family day care home" means a private home in which 1 but
- 9 fewer than 7 minor children are received for care and supervision
- 10 for periods of less than 24 hours a day, unattended by a parent or
- 11 legal guardian, except children related to an adult member of the
- 12 family by blood, marriage, or adoption. Family day care home
- includes a home in which care is given to an unrelated minor child
- 14 for more than 4 weeks during a calendar year.
- 15 (iv) "Group day care home" means a private home in which more
- 16 than 6 but not more than 12 minor children are given care and
- 17 supervision for periods of less than 24 hours a day unattended by a
- 18 parent or legal guardian, except children related to an adult
- 19 member of the family by blood, marriage, or adoption. Group day
- 20 care home includes a home in which care is given to an unrelated
- 21 minor child for more than 4 weeks during a calendar year.
- (g) "Licensee" means a person, partnership, firm, corporation,
- 23 association, nongovernmental organization, or local or state
- 24 government child care organization that has been issued a license
- 25 under this act to operate a child care organization.
- 26 (h) "Provisional license" means a license issued to a child
- 27 care organization that is temporarily unable to conform to all of

- 1 the rules promulgated under this act.
- 2 (i) "Regular license" means a license issued to a child care
- 3 organization indicating that the organization is in compliance with
- 4 all rules promulgated under this act.
- 5 (j) "Guardian" means the guardian of the person.
- 6 (k) "Minor child" means any of the following:
- 7 (i) A person less than 18 years of age.
- 8 (ii) A person who is a resident in a child caring institution,
- 9 children's camp, foster family home, or foster family group home;
- 10 who becomes 18 years of age while residing in the child caring
- 11 institution, children's camp, foster family home, or foster family
- 12 group home; and who continues residing in the child caring
- institution, children's camp, foster family home, or foster family
- 14 group home to receive care, maintenance, training, and supervision.
- 15 However, a minor child under this subparagraph does not include a
- 16 person 18 years of age or older who is placed in a child caring
- 17 institution, foster family home, or foster family group home
- 18 pursuant to an adjudication under section 2(a) of chapter XIIA of
- 19 the probate code of 1939, 1939 PA 288, MCL 712A.2, or section 1 of
- 20 chapter IX of the code of criminal procedure, 1927 PA 175, MCL
- 21 769.1. This subparagraph applies only if the number of those
- 22 residents who become 18 years of age does not exceed the following:
- 23 (A) Two, if the total number of residents is 10 or fewer.
- 24 (B) Three, if the total number of residents is not less than
- 25 11 and not more than 14.
- 26 (C) Four, if the total number of residents is not less than 15
- 27 and not more than 20.

- 1 (D) Five, if the total number of residents is 21 or more.
- 2 (iii) A person 18 years of age or older who is placed in a
- 3 foster family home under section 5(7).
- 4 (l) "Registrant" means a person who has been issued a
- 5 certificate of registration under this act to operate a family day
- 6 care home.
- 7 (m) "Registration" means the process by which the department
- 8 of -consumer and industry HUMAN services regulates family day care
- 9 homes, and includes the requirement that a family day care home
- 10 certify to the department OF HUMAN SERVICES that the family day
- 11 care home has complied with and will continue to comply with the
- 12 rules promulgated under this act.
- 13 (n) "Certificate of registration" means a written document
- 14 issued under this act to a family day care home through
- 15 registration.
- 16 (o) "Related" means a parent, grandparent, brother, sister,
- 17 stepparent, stepsister, stepbrother, uncle, aunt, cousin, great
- 18 aunt, great uncle, or stepgrandparent related by marriage, blood,
- 19 or adoption.
- 20 (p) "Religious organization" means church, ecclesiastical
- 21 corporation, or group, not organized for pecuniary profit, that
- 22 gathers for mutual support and edification in piety or worship of a
- 23 supreme deity.
- 24 (Q) "SCHOOL-AGE CHILD" MEANS A CHILD WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO BE
- 25 ENROLLED IN A GRADE OF KINDERGARTEN OR ABOVE, BUT IS LESS THAN 13
- 26 YEARS OF AGE.
- 27 (2) A facility or program for school-age children that is

- 1 operated at a school by a public school or by a person or entity
- 2 with whom a public school contracts for services and that
- 3 currently operated and has been in operation and LICENSED OR
- 4 approved AS PROVIDED IN THIS ACT for a minimum of -4 2 years may
- 5 apply to the department of -consumer and industry HUMAN services
- 6 to be exempt from this act INSPECTIONS AND ON-SITE VISITS
- 7 REQUIRED UNDER SECTION 5. The department of -consumer and industry
- 8 HUMAN services shall respond to a facility or program requesting
- 9 exemption FROM INSPECTIONS AND ON-SITE VISITS REQUIRED UNDER
- 10 SECTION 5 AS PROVIDED under this subsection within 45 days from the
- 11 date the completed application is received. The department of
- 12 consumer and industry HUMAN services may exempt from this act
- 13 GRANT EXEMPTION FROM INSPECTIONS AND ON-SITE VISITS REQUIRED UNDER
- 14 SECTION 5 TO a facility or program that meets all of the following
- 15 criteria:
- 16 (a) The facility or program has been in operation and LICENSED
- 17 OR approved UNDER THIS ACT for a minimum of -4 2 years before the
- 18 application date.
- 19 (b) During the -4 2 years before the application date, the
- 20 facility or program has not had a substantial violation of this
- 21 act, rules promulgated under this act, or the terms of A LICENSURE
- 22 OR an approval under this act.
- 23 (c) The school board, —or— board of directors, OR GOVERNING
- 24 BODY adopts a resolution supporting the application for exemption
- 25 described FROM INSPECTIONS AND ON-SITE VISITS REQUIRED UNDER
- 26 SECTION 5 AS PROVIDED FOR in this subsection.
- 27 (3) A FACILITY OR PROGRAM GRANTED EXEMPTION FROM INSPECTIONS

- AND ON-SITE VISITS REQUIRED UNDER SECTION 5 AS PROVIDED FOR UNDER 1
- 2 SUBSECTION (2) IS REQUIRED TO MAINTAIN STATUS AS A LICENSED OR
- APPROVED PROGRAM UNDER THIS ACT AND MUST CONTINUE TO MEET THE 3
- 4 REQUIREMENTS OF THIS ACT, THE RULES PROMULGATED UNDER THIS ACT, OR
- 5 THE TERMS OF A LICENSE OR APPROVAL UNDER THIS ACT. A FACILITY OR
- PROGRAM GRANTED EXEMPTION FROM INSPECTIONS AND ON-SITE VISITS
- 7 REQUIRED UNDER SECTION 5 AS PROVIDED FOR UNDER SUBSECTION (2) IS
- SUBJECT TO AN INVESTIGATION BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES 8
- WHEN A VIOLATION OF THIS ACT OR A VIOLATION OF A RULE PROMULGATED 9
- 10 UNDER THIS ACT IS ALLEGED.
- 11 (4) A FACILITY OR PROGRAM GRANTED EXEMPTION FROM INSPECTIONS
- 12 AND ON-SITE VISITS REQUIRED UNDER SECTION 5 AS PROVIDED FOR UNDER
- SUBSECTION (2) IS NOT SUBJECT TO INTERIM OR ANNUAL LICENSING 13
- 14 REVIEWS. A FACILITY OR PROGRAM GRANTED EXEMPTION FROM INSPECTIONS
- AND ON-SITE VISITS REQUIRED UNDER SECTION 5 AS PROVIDED FOR UNDER 15
- SUBSECTION (2) IS REQUIRED TO SUBMIT DOCUMENTATION ANNUALLY 16
- 17 DEMONSTRATING COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS ACT, THE
- RULES PROMULGATED UNDER THIS ACT, OR THE TERMS OF A LICENSE OR 18
- 19 APPROVAL UNDER THIS ACT.
- 20 (5) AN EXEMPTION PROVIDED UNDER SUBSECTION (2) MAY BE
- 21 RESCINDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES IF THE FACILITY OR
- 22 PROGRAM WILLFULLY AND SUBSTANTIALLY VIOLATES THIS ACT, THE RULES
- 23 PROMULGATED UNDER THIS ACT, OR THE TERMS OF A LICENSE OR APPROVAL
- 24 GRANTED UNDER THIS ACT.