

HB 1806 -- CHILD CARE PROVIDERS

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This bill specifies that for child care providers who receive state or federal funds for providing child care services in the home the department of social services must:

- (1) Establish a publicly available website listing provider-specific information about any health and safety licensing or regulatory requirements met by the provider including dates of inspection, history of violations, and compliance actions taken;
- (2) Establish or designate a hotline for parents to submit complaints about child care providers;
- (3) Establishes minimum requirements for building and physical premises;
- (4) Establish necessary and reasonable rules and regulations to define preservice training requirements for child care providers pursuant to applicable federal laws and regulations;
- (5) Establish procedures for conducting on-site monitoring of a child care provider prior to their receiving state or federal funds for providing child care services in the home either by direct payment or through reimbursement to a child care beneficiary and annually thereafter;
- (6) Require providers that receive assistance under applicable federal regulations and statutes to report any serious injuries or deaths of children occurring in child care to the department; and
- (7) Establish a child care indicator system that must provide parents with a way to differentiate between child care providers as required by federal regulations. The system must indicate whether the provider meets the state'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 requirements. The system must indicate if the provider utilizes a nationally recognized curricula and if the provider is in compliance with staff educational requirements.