Legislative Analysis



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CHILD CARE ORGANIZATION LICENSEES: REQUIRE MEDICAL STATEMENT OF HEALTH

House Bill 5398

Sponsor: Rep. Kevin Green Committee: Health Policy

Complete to 11-7-05

A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 5398 AS INTRODUCED 11-2-05

The bill, as written, would require the Department of Human Services, before issuing a license or registration to a person, partnership, firm, corporation, association, or nongovernmental organization as a child care organization, to receive and review a medical statement for each member of the household indicating that he or she did not have a known condition that would affect the care of others in the child caring organization. The medical statement would have to be signed and dated by either a physician or certified nurse practitioner within the 12 months immediately preceding the date of the application and would have to be submitted with the application. A "member of the household" would mean any individual, other than a foster child, who resided in a child care organization on an ongoing or recurrent basis.

Under the act, "child care organization" includes organizations commonly described as child caring institutions, child placing agencies, children's camps, child care centers, day care centers, nursery schools, parent cooperative preschools, foster homes, group homes, or day care homes.

[A substitute bill is being drafted so that the bill would apply only to applicants for a license to operate a foster home.]

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FISCAL IMPACT:

The bill would have no fiscal impact on the State or on local units of government.

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