

Amendment No. 1 (for drafter's use only)

	<u>Senate</u>	CHAMBER ACTION	<u>House</u>
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The Council for Healthy Communities offered the following:

Amendment (with title amendment)

On page 4, between lines 11 and 12 of the bill

insert:

Section 5. Subsection (6) of section 402.301, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

402.301 Child care facilities; legislative intent and declaration of purpose and policy.--It is the legislative intent to protect the health, safety, and well-being of the children of the state and to promote their emotional and intellectual development and care. Toward that end:

(1) It is the purpose of ss. 402.301-402.319 to establish statewide minimum standards for the care and protection of children in child care facilities, to ensure maintenance of these standards, and to approve county administration and enforcement to regulate conditions in such facilities through a program of licensing.

(2) It is the intent of the Legislature that all owners, operators, and child care personnel shall be of good

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1 moral character.

2 (3) It shall be the policy of the state to ensure
3 protection of children and to encourage child care providers
4 and parents to share responsibility for and to assist in the
5 improvement of child care programs.

6 (4) It shall be the policy of the state to promote
7 public and private employer initiatives to establish day care
8 services for their employees.

9 (5) It is the further legislative intent that the
10 freedom of religion of all citizens shall be inviolate.
11 Nothing in ss. 402.301-402.319 shall give any governmental
12 agency jurisdiction or authority to regulate, supervise, or in
13 any way be involved in any Sunday School, Sabbath School, or
14 religious services or any nursery service or other program
15 conducted during religious or church services primarily for
16 the convenience of those attending such services.

17 (6) It is further the intent that membership
18 organizations that do not provide child care for school-age
19 children for more than four hours per day, and are affiliated
20 with national organizations ~~which do not provide child care,~~
21 whose primary purpose is providing activities that contribute
22 to the development of good character or good sportsmanship or
23 to the education or cultural development of minors in this
24 state, which charge only a nominal annual membership fee,
25 which are not for profit, and which are certified by their
26 national associations as being in compliance with the
27 association's minimum standards and procedures, shall not be
28 considered child care facilities and therefore, their
29 personnel shall not be required to be screened. Care for
30 children under the age of Kindergarten is considered child
31 care and is subject to the provisions of s. 402.301 through

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1 402.19.

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5 And the title is amended as follows:

6 On page 1, line 18

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8 insert:

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10 amending s. 402.301, F.S., specifying which membership
11 organizations are not considered child care facilities;

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