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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to child care facilities; providing a
3 short title; amending s. 402.305, F.S.; requiring vehicles
4 used by child care facilities and large family child care
5 homes to be equipped with an alarm system that prompts the
6 driver to inspect the vehicle for children before exiting
7 the vehicle; requiring the Department of Children and
8 Family Services to adopt rules and maintain a list of
9 approved alarm systems; providing an effective date.

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11 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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13 Section 1. This act may be cited as the "Haile Brockington
14 Act."

15 Section 2. Subsection (10) of section 402.305, Florida
16 Statutes, is amended to read:

17 402.305 Licensing standards; child care facilities.—

18 (10) TRANSPORTATION SAFETY.—

19 (a) Minimum standards shall include requirements for child
20 restraints or seat belts in vehicles used by child care
21 facilities and large family child care homes to transport
22 children, requirements for annual inspections of the vehicles,
23 limitations on the number of children in the vehicles, and
24 accountability for children being transported.

25 (b)1. On or after January 1, 2012, such vehicles must be
26 equipped with an alarm system approved by the department which
27 prompts the driver to inspect the vehicle for children before
28 exiting such vehicle.

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29 2. The department shall adopt rules to administer this
30 paragraph and shall maintain a list of alarm manufacturers and
31 alarm systems that are approved to be installed in such
32 vehicles.

33 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2011.