

Amendment No.

CHAMBER ACTION

Senate

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1 Representative Brodeur offered the following:

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3 **Amendment (with title amendment)**

4 Between lines 591 and 592, insert:

5 Section 7. Paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section  
6 402.305, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

7 402.305 Licensing standards; child care facilities.—

8 (1) LICENSING STANDARDS.—The department shall establish  
9 licensing standards that each licensed child care facility must  
10 meet regardless of the origin or source of the fees used to  
11 operate the facility or the type of children served by the  
12 facility.

13 (c) The minimum standards for child care facilities shall  
14 be adopted in the rules of the department and shall address the

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15 areas delineated in this section. The department, in adopting  
16 rules to establish minimum standards for child care facilities,  
17 shall recognize that different age groups of children may  
18 require different standards. The department may adopt different  
19 minimum standards for facilities that serve children in  
20 different age groups, including school-age children. The  
21 department shall also adopt by rule a definition for child care  
22 which distinguishes between child care programs that require  
23 child care licensure and after-school programs that do not  
24 require licensure. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to  
25 the contrary, minimum child care licensing standards shall be  
26 developed to provide for reasonable, affordable, and safe  
27 before-school and after-school care. The department shall create  
28 a tiered after-school licensure program that reflects the risk  
29 levels of activities offered and populations served by after-  
30 school programs. After-school programs that otherwise meet the  
31 criteria for exclusion from licensure may provide snacks and  
32 meals through the federal Afterschool Meal Program (AMP)  
33 administered by the Department of Health in accordance with  
34 federal regulations and standards. The Department of Health  
35 shall consider meals to be provided through the AMP only if the  
36 program is actively participating in the AMP, is in good  
37 standing with the department, and the meals meet AMP  
38 requirements. Standards, at a minimum, shall allow for a  
39 credentialed director to supervise multiple before-school and  
40 after-school sites.

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41           Section 8. The Department of Children and Families shall  
42 initiate rulemaking to implement the tiered after-school  
43 licensure program required by s. 402.305(1)(c), Florida  
44 Statutes, by September 30, 2015. The department shall submit a  
45 report, including a description of the licensure program and  
46 implementation activities, any public comment received about the  
47 development of the program, and any recommendations for  
48 statutory changes, to the Governor, the President of the Senate,  
49 and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by November 30,  
50 2015.

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Between lines 38 and 39, insert:

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s. 402.305, F.S.; requiring the department to create a

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tiered after-school licensure program; requiring the

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department to adopt rules to implement the tiered

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after-school program; requiring a report to the

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Governor and Legislature; amending

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