

1                                   A bill to be entitled  
 2           An act relating to eligibility for employment as child  
 3           care personnel; amending s. 402.305, F.S.; prohibiting  
 4           the Department of Children and Families from granting  
 5           to certain individuals exemptions from  
 6           disqualification from employment as child care  
 7           personnel; disqualifying certain individuals from such  
 8           employment regardless of prior exemption; providing an  
 9           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. Paragraph (b) of subsection (2) of section  
 14           402.305, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

15           402.305 Licensing standards; child care facilities.—

16           (2) PERSONNEL.—Minimum standards for child care personnel  
 17           shall include minimum requirements as to:

18           (b) The department may grant exemptions from  
 19           disqualification from working with children or the  
 20           developmentally disabled as provided in s. 435.07. However, the  
 21           department may not grant such exemptions to individuals who have  
 22           been identified as a sex offender as described in 42 U.S.C. s.  
 23           9858f(c)(1)(C), convicted of a felony as described in 42 U.S.C.  
 24           s. 9858f(c)(1)(D), or convicted of a violent misdemeanor as  
 25           described in 42 U.S.C. s. 9858f(c)(1)(E), and such individuals  
 26           are disqualified from employment as child care personnel

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27 | regardless of any prior exemptions from disqualification.

28 |       Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016.