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Proposed Committee Substitute by the Committee on Appropriations  
(Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services)

A bill to be entitled

An act relating to child welfare; amending s. 39.01, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "abuse"; amending s. 39.0138, F.S.; requiring the Department of Children and Families to establish rules for granting exemptions from criminal history and certain other records checks required for persons being considered for placement of a child; requiring the department or its designee to assess the limitations that justify the exemption and the limitation's effects on the child before granting the exemption; requiring level 1 screening for persons granted such exemption; prohibiting placement of a child with persons convicted of a certain felony; amending s. 39.3065, F.S.; requiring the Sheriff of Walton County to provide all child protective investigations in the county beginning with a specified fiscal year; amending s. 39.6012, F.S.; requiring parents to make proactive contact with the department or contracted case management agency at regular intervals; amending s. 39.6013, F.S.; requiring the court to consider certain case details before amending a case plan; amending s. 39.621, F.S.; requiring the court, during permanency hearings, to determine case plan compliance; amending s. 39.701, F.S.; requiring the court, during judicial review hearings, to determine case plan compliance; amending s. 63.092, F.S.;



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28 requiring the department to release specified records  
29 to entities conducting preliminary home studies;  
30 providing that certain specified training is required  
31 only for persons who adopt children from the  
32 department; amending s. 402.305, F.S.; revising  
33 minimum requirements for child care personnel related  
34 to screening and fingerprinting; requiring child care  
35 facilities to provide information during specified  
36 months to parents intended to prevent children from  
37 being left in vehicles; requiring the department to  
38 develop a flyer or brochure containing specified  
39 information; specifying the minimum standards the  
40 department must adopt regarding transportation of  
41 children by child care facilities; specifying that a  
42 child care facility is not responsible for children  
43 when they are transported by a parent or guardian;  
44 amending ss. 402.313 and 402.3131, F.S.; requiring  
45 family day care homes and large family child care  
46 homes to provide information during specified months  
47 to parents intended to prevent children from being  
48 left in vehicles; requiring the department to develop  
49 a flyer or brochure containing specified information;  
50 amending s. 409.175, F.S.; defining the term "severe  
51 disability" and providing an exemption from  
52 fingerprint requirements for adult household members  
53 with severe disabilities; amending s. 409.991, F.S.;  
54 revising the equity allocation formula for community-  
55 based care lead agencies; amending s. 435.07, F.S.;  
56 revising the offenses that disqualify certain child



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57 care personnel from specified employment; amending ss.  
58 402.30501, 1002.55, 1002.57, and 1002.59, F.S.;  
59 conforming cross-references; providing a directive to  
60 the Division of Law Revision and Information;  
61 providing an effective date.

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

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65 Section 1. Subsection (2) of section 39.01, Florida  
66 Statutes, is amended to read:

67 39.01 Definitions.—When used in this chapter, unless the  
68 context otherwise requires:

69 (2) "Abuse" means any willful act or threatened act that  
70 results in any physical, mental, or sexual abuse, injury, or  
71 harm that causes or is likely to cause the child's physical,  
72 mental, or emotional health to be significantly impaired. Abuse  
73 of a child includes the birth of a new child into a family  
74 during the course of an open dependency case when the parent or  
75 caregiver has been determined to lack the protective capacity to  
76 safely care for the children in the home and has not  
77 substantially complied with the case plan towards successful  
78 reunification or met the conditions for return of the children  
79 into the home. Abuse of a child includes acts or omissions.  
80 Corporal discipline of a child by a parent or legal custodian  
81 for disciplinary purposes does not in itself constitute abuse  
82 when it does not result in harm to the child.

83 Section 2. Subsections (2) through (7) of section 39.0138,  
84 Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (3) through (8),  
85 respectively, present subsections (2) and (3) are amended, and a



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86 new subsection (2) is added to that section, to read:

87 39.0138 Criminal history and other records checks; limit on  
88 placement of a child.—

89 (2)(a) The department shall establish rules for granting an  
90 exemption from the fingerprinting requirements under subsection  
91 (1) for a household member who has a physical, developmental, or  
92 cognitive disability that prevents that person from safely  
93 submitting fingerprints.

94 (b) Before granting an exemption, the department or its  
95 designee shall assess and document the physical, developmental,  
96 or cognitive limitations that justify the exemption and the  
97 effect of such limitations on the safety and well-being of the  
98 child being placed in the home.

99 (c) If a fingerprint exemption is granted, a level 1  
100 screening pursuant to s. 435.03 shall be completed on the person  
101 who is granted the exemption.

102 (3)~~(2)~~ The department may not place a child with a person  
103 other than a parent if the criminal history records check  
104 reveals that the person has been convicted of any felony that  
105 falls within any of the following categories:

106 (a) Child abuse, abandonment, or neglect;

107 (b) Domestic violence;

108 (c) Child pornography or other felony in which a child was  
109 a victim of the offense; or

110 (d) Homicide, sexual battery, or other felony involving  
111 violence, other than felony assault or felony battery when an  
112 adult was the victim of the assault or battery, or resisting  
113 arrest with violence.

114 (4)~~(3)~~ The department may not place a child with a person



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115 other than a parent if the criminal history records check  
116 reveals that the person has, within the previous 5 years, been  
117 convicted of a felony that falls within any of the following  
118 categories:

- 119 (a) Assault;  
120 (b) Battery; ~~or~~  
121 (c) A drug-related offense; or  
122 (d) Resisting arrest with violence.

123 Section 3. Paragraph (a) of subsection (3) of section  
124 39.3065, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

125 39.3065 Sheriffs of certain counties to provide child  
126 protective investigative services; procedures; funding.-

127 (3) (a) Beginning in fiscal year 1999-2000, the sheriffs of  
128 Pasco County, Manatee County, Broward County, and Pinellas  
129 County shall have the responsibility to provide all child  
130 protective investigations in their respective counties.

131 Beginning in fiscal year 2018-2019, the Sheriff of Walton County  
132 shall provide all child protective investigations in his or her  
133 county. Beginning in fiscal year 2000-2001, the Department of  
134 Children and Families is authorized to enter into grant  
135 agreements with sheriffs of other counties to perform child  
136 protective investigations in their respective counties.

137 Section 4. Paragraph (d) is added to subsection (1) of  
138 section 39.6012, Florida Statutes, to read:

139 39.6012 Case plan tasks; services.-

140 (1) The services to be provided to the parent and the tasks  
141 that must be completed are subject to the following:

142 (d) Parents must provide accurate contact information to  
143 the department or the contracted case management agency, update



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144 such information as appropriate, and make proactive contact with  
145 the department or the contracted case management agency at least  
146 every 14 calendar days to provide information on the status of  
147 case plan task completion, barriers to completion, and plans  
148 toward reunification.

149 Section 5. Subsections (6) and (7) of section 39.6013,  
150 Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (7) and (8),  
151 respectively, and a new subsection (6) is added to that section,  
152 to read:

153 39.6013 Case plan amendments.—

154 (6) When determining whether to amend the case plan, the  
155 court must consider the length of time the case has been open,  
156 the level of parental engagement to date, the number of case  
157 plan tasks completed, the child's type of placement and  
158 attachment, and the potential for successful reunification.

159 Section 6. Subsection (5) of section 39.621, Florida  
160 Statutes, is amended to read:

161 39.621 Permanency determination by the court.—

162 (5) At the permanency hearing, the court shall determine:

163 (a) Whether the current permanency goal for the child is  
164 appropriate or should be changed;

165 (b) When the child will achieve one of the permanency  
166 goals; ~~and~~

167 (c) Whether the department has made reasonable efforts to  
168 finalize the permanency plan currently in effect; and

169 (d) Whether the frequency, duration, manner, and level of  
170 engagement of the parent or legal guardian's visitation with the  
171 child meets the case plan requirements.

172 Section 7. Paragraph (d) of subsection (2) of section



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173 39.701, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

174 39.701 Judicial review.—

175 (2) REVIEW HEARINGS FOR CHILDREN YOUNGER THAN 18 YEARS OF  
176 AGE.—

177 (d) *Orders*.—

178 1. Based upon the criteria set forth in paragraph (c) and  
179 the recommended order of the citizen review panel, if any, the  
180 court shall determine whether or not the social service agency  
181 shall initiate proceedings to have a child declared a dependent  
182 child, return the child to the parent, continue the child in  
183 out-of-home care for a specified period of time, or initiate  
184 termination of parental rights proceedings for subsequent  
185 placement in an adoptive home. Amendments to the case plan must  
186 be prepared as prescribed in s. 39.6013. If the court finds that  
187 the prevention or reunification efforts of the department will  
188 allow the child to remain safely at home or be safely returned  
189 to the home, the court shall allow the child to remain in or  
190 return to the home after making a specific finding of fact that  
191 the reasons for the creation of the case plan have been remedied  
192 to the extent that the child's safety, well-being, and physical,  
193 mental, and emotional health will not be endangered.

194 2. The court shall return the child to the custody of the  
195 parents at any time it determines that they have substantially  
196 complied with the case plan, if the court is satisfied that  
197 reunification will not be detrimental to the child's safety,  
198 well-being, and physical, mental, and emotional health.

199 3. If, in the opinion of the court, the social service  
200 agency has not complied with its obligations as specified in the  
201 written case plan, the court may find the social service agency



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202 in contempt, shall order the social service agency to submit its  
203 plans for compliance with the agreement, and shall require the  
204 social service agency to show why the child could not safely be  
205 returned to the home of the parents.

206 4. If, at any judicial review, the court finds that the  
207 parents have failed to substantially comply with the case plan  
208 to the degree that further reunification efforts are without  
209 merit and not in the best interest of the child, on its own  
210 motion, the court may order the filing of a petition for  
211 termination of parental rights, whether or not the time period  
212 as contained in the case plan for substantial compliance has  
213 expired.

214 5. Within 6 months after the date that the child was placed  
215 in shelter care, the court shall conduct a judicial review  
216 hearing to review the child's permanency goal as identified in  
217 the case plan. At the hearing the court shall make findings  
218 regarding the likelihood of the child's reunification with the  
219 parent or legal custodian. In making such findings, the court  
220 shall consider the level of the parent or legal custodian's  
221 compliance with the case plan and demonstrated change in  
222 protective capacities compared to that necessary to achieve  
223 timely reunification within 12 months after the removal of the  
224 child from the home. The court shall also consider the  
225 frequency, duration, manner, and level of engagement of the  
226 parent or legal custodian's visitation with the child in  
227 compliance with the case plan. If the court makes a written  
228 finding that it is not likely that the child will be reunified  
229 with the parent or legal custodian within 12 months after the  
230 child was removed from the home, the department must file with





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231 the court, and serve on all parties, a motion to amend the case  
232 plan under s. 39.6013 and declare that it will use concurrent  
233 planning for the case plan. The department must file the motion  
234 within 10 business days after receiving the written finding of  
235 the court. The department must attach the proposed amended case  
236 plan to the motion. If concurrent planning is already being  
237 used, the case plan must document the efforts the department is  
238 taking to complete the concurrent goal.

239 6. The court may issue a protective order in assistance, or  
240 as a condition, of any other order made under this part. In  
241 addition to the requirements included in the case plan, the  
242 protective order may set forth requirements relating to  
243 reasonable conditions of behavior to be observed for a specified  
244 period of time by a person or agency who is before the court;  
245 and the order may require any person or agency to make periodic  
246 reports to the court containing such information as the court in  
247 its discretion may prescribe.

248 Section 8. Paragraphs (b) and (e) of subsection (3) of  
249 section 63.092, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

250 63.092 Report to the court of intended placement by an  
251 adoption entity; at-risk placement; preliminary study.—

252 (3) PRELIMINARY HOME STUDY.—Before placing the minor in the  
253 intended adoptive home, a preliminary home study must be  
254 performed by a licensed child-placing agency, a child-caring  
255 agency registered under s. 409.176, a licensed professional, or  
256 an agency described in s. 61.20(2), unless the adoptee is an  
257 adult or the petitioner is a stepparent or a relative. If the  
258 adoptee is an adult or the petitioner is a stepparent or a  
259 relative, a preliminary home study may be required by the court



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260 for good cause shown. The department is required to perform the  
261 preliminary home study only if there is no licensed child-  
262 placing agency, child-caring agency registered under s. 409.176,  
263 licensed professional, or agency described in s. 61.20(2), in  
264 the county where the prospective adoptive parents reside. The  
265 preliminary home study must be made to determine the suitability  
266 of the intended adoptive parents and may be completed prior to  
267 identification of a prospective adoptive minor. A favorable  
268 preliminary home study is valid for 1 year after the date of its  
269 completion. Upon its completion, a signed copy of the home study  
270 must be provided to the intended adoptive parents who were the  
271 subject of the home study. A minor may not be placed in an  
272 intended adoptive home before a favorable preliminary home study  
273 is completed unless the adoptive home is also a licensed foster  
274 home under s. 409.175. The preliminary home study must include,  
275 at a minimum:

276 (b) Records checks of the department's central abuse  
277 registry, which the department shall provide to the entity  
278 conducting the preliminary home study, and criminal records  
279 correspondence checks under s. 39.0138 through the Department of  
280 Law Enforcement on the intended adoptive parents;

281 (e) Documentation of counseling and education of the  
282 intended adoptive parents on adoptive parenting, as determined  
283 by the entity conducting the preliminary home study. The  
284 training specified in s. 409.175(14) shall only be required for  
285 persons who adopt children from the department;

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287 If the preliminary home study is favorable, a minor may be  
288 placed in the home pending entry of the judgment of adoption. A



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289 minor may not be placed in the home if the preliminary home  
290 study is unfavorable. If the preliminary home study is  
291 unfavorable, the adoption entity may, within 20 days after  
292 receipt of a copy of the written recommendation, petition the  
293 court to determine the suitability of the intended adoptive  
294 home. A determination as to suitability under this subsection  
295 does not act as a presumption of suitability at the final  
296 hearing. In determining the suitability of the intended adoptive  
297 home, the court must consider the totality of the circumstances  
298 in the home. A minor may not be placed in a home in which there  
299 resides any person determined by the court to be a sexual  
300 predator as defined in s. 775.21 or to have been convicted of an  
301 offense listed in s. 63.089(4)(b)2.

302 Section 9. Paragraphs (b) through (f) of subsection (2) of  
303 section 402.305, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as  
304 paragraphs (c) through (g), respectively, paragraph (a) of  
305 subsection (2) and subsections (9) and (10) are amended, and a  
306 new paragraph (b) is added to that subsection (2), to read:

307 402.305 Licensing standards; child care facilities.—

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

310 (a) Good moral character based upon screening as defined in  
311 s. 402.302(15). This screening shall be conducted as provided in  
312 chapter 435, using the level 2 standards for screening set forth  
313 in that chapter, and must include employment history checks, a  
314 search of criminal history records, sexual predator and sexual  
315 offender registries, and child abuse and neglect registry of any  
316 state in which the current or prospective child care personnel  
317 resided during the preceding 5 years.



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318 (b) Fingerprint submission for child care personnel, which  
319 shall comply with s. 435.12.

320 (9) ADMISSIONS AND RECORDKEEPING.—

321 (a) Minimum standards shall include requirements for  
322 preadmission and periodic health examinations, requirements for  
323 immunizations, and requirements for maintaining emergency  
324 information and health records on all children.

325 (b) During the months of August and September of each year,  
326 each child care facility shall provide parents of children  
327 enrolled in the facility detailed information regarding the  
328 causes, symptoms, and transmission of the influenza virus in an  
329 effort to educate those parents regarding the importance of  
330 immunizing their children against influenza as recommended by  
331 the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices of the Centers  
332 for Disease Control and Prevention.

333 (c) During the months of April and September of each year,  
334 at a minimum, each facility shall provide parents of children  
335 enrolled in the facility with information regarding the  
336 potential for a distracted adult to fail to drop off a child at  
337 the facility and instead leave the child in the adult's vehicle  
338 upon arrival at the adult's destination. The child care facility  
339 shall also give parents information about resources with  
340 suggestions to avoid this occurrence. The department shall  
341 develop a flyer or brochure with this information, which shall  
342 be posted to the department's website, which child care  
343 facilities may choose to reproduce and provide to parents to  
344 satisfy the requirements of this paragraph.

345 (d) ~~(e)~~ Because of the nature and duration of drop-in child  
346 care, requirements for preadmission and periodic health



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347 examinations and requirements for medically signed records of  
348 immunization required for child care facilities shall not apply.  
349 A parent of a child in drop-in child care shall, however, be  
350 required to attest to the child's health condition and the type  
351 and current status of the child's immunizations.

352 (e) ~~(d)~~ Any child shall be exempt from medical or physical  
353 examination or medical or surgical treatment upon written  
354 request of the parent or guardian of such child who objects to  
355 the examination and treatment. However, the laws, rules, and  
356 regulations relating to contagious or communicable diseases and  
357 sanitary matters shall not be violated because of any exemption  
358 from or variation of the health and immunization minimum  
359 standards.

360 (10) TRANSPORTATION SAFETY.—Minimum standards shall include  
361 requirements for child restraints or seat belts in vehicles used  
362 by child care facilities and large family child care homes to  
363 transport children, requirements for annual inspections of the  
364 vehicles, limitations on the number of children in the vehicles,  
365 procedures to avoid leaving children in vehicles when  
366 transported by the facility, and accountability for children  
367 being transported by the child care facility. A child care  
368 facility is not responsible for children when they are  
369 transported by a parent or guardian.

370 Section 10. Section 402.30501, Florida Statutes, is amended  
371 to read:

372 402.30501 Modification of introductory child care course  
373 for community college credit authorized.—The Department of  
374 Children and Families may modify the 40-clock-hour introductory  
375 course in child care under s. 402.305 or s. 402.3131 to meet the



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376 requirements of articulating the course to community college  
377 credit. Any modification must continue to provide that the  
378 course satisfies the requirements of s. 402.305(2)(e) ~~s.~~  
379 ~~402.305(2)(d)~~.

380 Section 11. Subsection (15) is added to section 402.313,  
381 Florida Statutes, to read:

382 402.313 Family day care homes.-

383 (15) During the months of April and September of each year,  
384 at a minimum, each family day care home shall provide parents of  
385 children attending the family day care home with information  
386 regarding the potential for a distracted adult to fail to drop  
387 off a child at the family day care home and instead leave the  
388 child in the adult's vehicle upon arrival at the adult's  
389 destination. The family day care home shall also give parents  
390 information about resources with suggestions to avoid this  
391 occurrence. The department shall develop a flyer or brochure  
392 with this information, which shall be posted to the department's  
393 website, which family day care homes may choose to reproduce and  
394 provide to parents to satisfy the requirements of this  
395 subsection.

396 Section 12. Subsection (10) is added to section 402.3131,  
397 Florida Statutes, to read:

398 402.3131 Large family child care homes.-

399 (10) During the months of April and September of each year,  
400 at a minimum, each large family child care home shall provide  
401 parents of children attending the large family child care home  
402 with information regarding the potential for a distracted adult  
403 to fail to drop off a child at the large family child care home  
404 and instead leave the child in the adult's vehicle upon arrival



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405 at the adult's destination. The large family child care home  
406 shall also give parents information about resources with  
407 suggestions to avoid this occurrence. The department shall  
408 develop a flyer or brochure with this information, which shall  
409 be posted to the department's website, which large family child  
410 care homes may choose to reproduce and provide to parents to  
411 satisfy the requirements of this subsection.

412 Section 13. Paragraphs (l) and (m) of subsection (2) of  
413 section 409.175, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as  
414 paragraphs (m) and (n), respectively, a new paragraph (l) is  
415 added to that subsection, and paragraph (a) of subsection (6) of  
416 that section is amended, to read:

417 409.175 Licensure of family foster homes, residential  
418 child-caring agencies, and child-placing agencies; public  
419 records exemption.—

420 (2) As used in this section, the term:

421 (1) "Severe disability" means a physical, developmental, or  
422 cognitive limitation affecting an individual's ability to safely  
423 submit fingerprints.

424 (6) (a) An application for a license shall be made on forms  
425 provided, and in the manner prescribed, by the department. The  
426 department shall make a determination as to the good moral  
427 character of the applicant based upon screening. The department  
428 may grant an exemption from fingerprinting requirements,  
429 pursuant to s. 39.0138, for an adult household member who has a  
430 severe disability.

431 Section 14. Paragraph (e) of subsection (1) and subsections  
432 (2) and (4) of section 409.991, Florida Statutes, are amended to  
433 read:



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434 409.991 Allocation of funds for community-based care lead  
435 agencies.—

436 (1) As used in this section, the term:

437 (e) "Proportion of children in care" means the proportion  
438 of the number of children in care receiving in-home services  
439 over the most recent 12-month period, the number of children  
440 whose families were receiving family support services during the  
441 most recent 12-month period, and the number of children who have  
442 entered into ~~in~~ out-of-home care with a case management overlay  
443 during the most recent 24-month ~~12-month~~ period. This  
444 subcomponent shall be weighted as follows:

445 1. Fifteen percent shall be based on children whose  
446 families are receiving family support services.

447 2.1. Fifty-five ~~Sixty~~ percent shall be based on children in  
448 out-of-home care.

449 3.2. Thirty ~~Forty~~ percent shall be based on children in in-  
450 home care.

451 (2) The equity allocation of core services funds shall be  
452 calculated based on the following weights:

453 (a) Proportion of the child population shall be weighted as  
454 5 percent of the total. ~~7~~

455 (b) Proportion of child abuse hotline workload shall be  
456 weighted as 35 ~~15~~ percent of the total. ~~7~~ ~~and~~

457 (c) Proportion of children in care shall be weighted as 60  
458 ~~80~~ percent of the total.

459 (4) Unless otherwise specified in the General  
460 Appropriations Act, any new core services funds shall be  
461 allocated based on the equity allocation model as follows:

462 (a) Seventy ~~Twenty~~ percent of new funding shall be





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463 allocated among all community-based care lead agencies.

464 (b) Thirty ~~Eighty~~ percent of new funding shall be allocated  
465 among community-based care lead agencies that are funded below  
466 their equitable share. Funds allocated pursuant to this  
467 paragraph shall be weighted based on each community-based care  
468 lead agency's relative proportion of the total amount of funding  
469 below the equitable share.

470 Section 15. Subsection (4) of section 435.07, Florida  
471 Statutes, is amended to read:

472 435.07 Exemptions from disqualification.—Unless otherwise  
473 provided by law, the provisions of this section apply to  
474 exemptions from disqualification for disqualifying offenses  
475 revealed pursuant to background screenings required under this  
476 chapter, regardless of whether those disqualifying offenses are  
477 listed in this chapter or other laws.

478 (4) (a) Disqualification from employment under this chapter  
479 may not be removed from, nor may an exemption be granted to, any  
480 personnel who is found guilty of, regardless of adjudication, or  
481 who has entered a plea of nolo contendere or guilty to, any  
482 felony covered by s. 435.03 or s. 435.04 solely by reason of any  
483 pardon, executive clemency, or restoration of civil rights.

484 (b) Disqualification from employment under this chapter may  
485 not be removed from, nor may an exemption be granted to, any  
486 person who is a:

- 487 1. Sexual predator as designated pursuant to s. 775.21;
- 488 2. Career offender pursuant to s. 775.261; or
- 489 3. Sexual offender pursuant to s. 943.0435, unless the  
490 requirement to register as a sexual offender has been removed  
491 pursuant to s. 943.04354.



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492 (c) Disqualification from employment under this chapter may  
493 not be removed from, and an exemption may not be granted to, any  
494 current or prospective child care personnel, as defined in s.  
495 402.302(3), and such a person is disqualified from employment as  
496 child care personnel, regardless of any previous exemptions from  
497 disqualification, if the person has been registered as a sex  
498 offender as described in 42 U.S.C. s. 9858f(c)(1)(C) or has been  
499 arrested for and is awaiting final disposition of, has been  
500 convicted or found guilty of, or entered a plea of guilty or  
501 nolo contendere to, regardless of adjudication, or has been  
502 adjudicated delinquent and the record has not been sealed or  
503 expunged for, any offense prohibited under any of the following  
504 provisions of state law or a similar law of another  
505 jurisdiction:

506 1. A felony offense prohibited under any of the following  
507 statutes:

508 a. Chapter 741, relating to domestic violence.

509 b. Section 782.04, relating to murder.

510 c. Section 782.07, relating to manslaughter, aggravated  
511 manslaughter of an elderly person or disabled adult, aggravated  
512 manslaughter of a child, or aggravated manslaughter of an  
513 officer, a firefighter, an emergency medical technician, or a  
514 paramedic.

515 d. Section 784.021, relating to aggravated assault.

516 e. Section 784.045, relating to aggravated battery.

517 f. Section 787.01, relating to kidnapping.

518 g. Section 787.025, relating to luring or enticing a child.

519 h. Section 787.04(2), relating to leading, taking,  
520 enticing, or removing a minor beyond the state limits, or



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521 concealing the location of a minor, with criminal intent pending  
522 custody proceedings.

523 i. Section 787.04(3), relating to leading, taking,  
524 enticing, or removing a minor beyond the state limits, or  
525 concealing the location of a minor, with criminal intent pending  
526 dependency proceedings or proceedings concerning alleged abuse  
527 or neglect of a minor.

528 j. Section 794.011, relating to sexual battery.

529 k. Former s. 794.041, relating to sexual activity with or  
530 solicitation of a child by a person in familial or custodial  
531 authority.

532 l. Section 794.05, relating to unlawful sexual activity  
533 with certain minors.

534 m. Section 794.08, relating to female genital mutilation.

535 n. Section 806.01, relating to arson.

536 o. Section 826.04, relating to incest.

537 p. Section 827.03, relating to child abuse, aggravated  
538 child abuse, or neglect of a child.

539 q. Section 827.04, relating to contributing to the  
540 delinquency or dependency of a child.

541 r. Section 827.071, relating to sexual performance by a  
542 child.

543 s. Chapter 847, relating to child pornography.

544 t. Chapter 893, relating to a drug abuse prevention and  
545 control offense, if that offense was committed in the preceding  
546 5 years.

547 u.~~t.~~ Section 985.701, relating to sexual misconduct in  
548 juvenile justice programs.

549 2. A misdemeanor offense prohibited under any of the



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550 following statutes:

551 a. Section 784.03, relating to battery, if the victim of  
552 the offense was a minor.

553 b. Section 787.025, relating to luring or enticing a child.

554 c. Chapter 847, relating to child pornography.

555 3. A criminal act committed in another state or under  
556 federal law which, if committed in this state, constitutes an  
557 offense prohibited under any statute listed in subparagraph 1.  
558 or subparagraph 2.

559 Section 16. Paragraph (g) of subsection (3) of section  
560 1002.55, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

561 1002.55 School-year prekindergarten program delivered by  
562 private prekindergarten providers.—

563 (3) To be eligible to deliver the prekindergarten program,  
564 a private prekindergarten provider must meet each of the  
565 following requirements:

566 (g) The private prekindergarten provider must have a  
567 prekindergarten director who has a prekindergarten director  
568 credential that is approved by the office as meeting or  
569 exceeding the minimum standards adopted under s. 1002.57.  
570 Successful completion of a child care facility director  
571 credential under s. 402.305(2)(g) ~~s. 402.305(2)(f)~~ before the  
572 establishment of the prekindergarten director credential under  
573 s. 1002.57 or July 1, 2006, whichever occurs later, satisfies  
574 the requirement for a prekindergarten director credential under  
575 this paragraph.

576 Section 17. Subsections (3) and (4) of section 1002.57,  
577 Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

578 1002.57 Prekindergarten director credential.—



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579           (3) The prekindergarten director credential must meet or  
580 exceed the requirements of the Department of Children and  
581 Families for the child care facility director credential under  
582 s. 402.305(2)(g) ~~s. 402.305(2)(f)~~, and successful completion of  
583 the prekindergarten director credential satisfies these  
584 requirements for the child care facility director credential.

585           (4) The department shall, to the maximum extent  
586 practicable, award credit to a person who successfully completes  
587 the child care facility director credential under s.  
588 402.305(2)(g) ~~s. 402.305(2)(f)~~ for those requirements of the  
589 prekindergarten director credential which are duplicative of  
590 requirements for the child care facility director credential.

591           Section 18. Subsection (1) of section 1002.59, Florida  
592 Statutes, is amended to read:

593           1002.59 Emergent literacy and performance standards  
594 training courses.—

595           (1) The office shall adopt minimum standards for one or  
596 more training courses in emergent literacy for prekindergarten  
597 instructors. Each course must comprise 5 clock hours and provide  
598 instruction in strategies and techniques to address the age-  
599 appropriate progress of prekindergarten students in developing  
600 emergent literacy skills, including oral communication,  
601 knowledge of print and letters, phonemic and phonological  
602 awareness, and vocabulary and comprehension development. Each  
603 course must also provide resources containing strategies that  
604 allow students with disabilities and other special needs to  
605 derive maximum benefit from the Voluntary Prekindergarten  
606 Education Program. Successful completion of an emergent literacy  
607 training course approved under this section satisfies



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608 requirements for approved training in early literacy and  
609 language development under ss. 402.305(2)(e)5. ~~402.305(2)(d)5.~~,  
610 402.313(6), and 402.3131(5).

611 Section 19. The Division of Law Revision and Information is  
612 directed to prepare, with the assistance of the staffs of the  
613 appropriate substantive committees of the House of  
614 Representatives and the Senate, a reviser's bill for the 2019  
615 Regular Session of the Legislature to capitalize the first  
616 letter of each word of the term "child protection team" wherever  
617 it occurs in Florida Statutes.

618 Section 20. This act shall take effect July 1, 2018.