

SENATE BILL No. 118

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 12-17.2-2-8.

Synopsis: Montessori program day care licensure exemption. Provides that an educational program that is validated as a Montessori program by the United Montessori Schools of Indiana is exempt from licensure as a day care center.

Effective: July 1, 2022.

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January 4, 2022, read first time and referred to Committee on Education and Career Development.



Second Regular Session of the 122nd General Assembly (2022)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2021 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning human services.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 12-17.2-2-8, AS AMENDED BY P.L.220-2021,
- 2 SECTION 6, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
- 3 JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 8. The division shall exempt from licensure the
- 4 following programs:
- 5 (1) A program for children enrolled in grades kindergarten
- 6 through 12 that is operated by the department of education or a
- 7 public or private school.
- 8 (2) A program for children who become at least three (3) years of
- 9 age as of December 1 of a particular school year (as defined in
- 10 IC 20-18-2-17) that is operated by the department of education or
- 11 a public or private school.
- 12 (3) A nonresidential program for a child that provides child care
- 13 for less than four (4) hours a day.
- 14 (4) A recreation program for children that operates for not more
- 15 than ninety (90) days in a calendar year.
- 16 (5) A program whose primary purpose is to provide social,
- 17 recreational, or religious activities for school age children, such



- 1 as scouting, boys club, girls club, sports, or the arts.
- 2 (6) A program operated to serve migrant children that:
- 3 (A) provides services for children from migrant worker
- 4 families; and
- 5 (B) is operated during a single period of less than one hundred
- 6 twenty (120) consecutive days during a calendar year.
- 7 (7) A child care ministry registered under IC 12-17.2-6.
- 8 (8) A child care home if the provider:
- 9 (A) does not receive regular compensation;
- 10 (B) cares only for children who are related to the provider;
- 11 (C) cares for less than six (6) children, not including children
- 12 for whom the provider is a parent, stepparent, guardian,
- 13 custodian, or other relative; or
- 14 (D) operates to serve migrant children.
- 15 (9) A child care program operated by a public or private
- 16 secondary school that:
- 17 (A) provides day care on the school premises for children of a
- 18 student or an employee of the school;
- 19 (B) complies with health, safety, and sanitation standards as
- 20 determined by the division under section 4 of this chapter for
- 21 child care centers or in accordance with a variance or waiver
- 22 of a rule governing child care centers approved by the division
- 23 under section 10 of this chapter; and
- 24 (C) substantially complies with the fire and life safety rules as
- 25 determined by the state fire marshal under rules adopted by the
- 26 division under section 4 of this chapter for child care centers
- 27 or in accordance with a variance or waiver of a rule governing
- 28 child care centers approved by the division under section 10 of
- 29 this chapter.
- 30 (10) A school age child care program (commonly referred to as a
- 31 latch key program) established under IC 20-26-5-2 that is
- 32 operated by:
- 33 (A) the department of education;
- 34 (B) a public or private school; or
- 35 (C) a public or private organization under a written contract
- 36 with:
- 37 (i) the department of education; or
- 38 (ii) a public or private school.
- 39 (11) A child care program that:
- 40 (A) is operated by a public or private organization under a
- 41 contract with a public or private school;
- 42 (B) serves children who are enrolled in the public or private



- 1 school in:
- 2 (i) grades kindergarten through 12; or
- 3 (ii) a preschool program offered by a public or private
- 4 school as described in this subdivision; and
- 5 (C) serves children who are:
- 6 (i) attending school through remote or e-learning due to a
- 7 disaster emergency declared under IC 10-14-3-12 or
- 8 IC 10-14-3-29; or
- 9 (ii) participating in a learning recovery program that
- 10 administers an assessment to measure student learning loss
- 11 and provides Indiana academic standards aligned
- 12 instruction.
- 13 (12) An educational program:
- 14 (A) consisting of a group of not more than ten (10) students
- 15 who attend the educational program in lieu of attending
- 16 prekindergarten or kindergarten through grade 12 at a public
- 17 or private school;
- 18 (B) whose students meet in a single classroom in person or
- 19 outside a classroom and which may include mixed age level
- 20 groupings; and
- 21 (C) that is under the supervision of a teacher or tutor.
- 22 **(13) An educational program that is validated as a Montessori**
- 23 **program by the United Montessori Schools of Indiana.**

