



March 15, 2022

SUMMARY OF BILL AS AMENDED (015942): Requires a child care agency that provides residential child care to disclose all contracts and agreements, including contract or agreement amendments, with third parties through which the applicant intends to provide placement, housing, or care services for children in this state, when seeking a license or renewal of a license. Requires a child care agency that provides residential child care to disclose certain information in their annual report to Department of Children's Services (DCS).

Requires DCS to revoke the license of an agency which provides residential child care, if the agency has employed individuals charged with certain criminal offenses connected to the employee's relationship with the agency.

Requires an approved or suspected child care agency which provides residential care to provide the number and the names of children in their care upon the request of DCS. Requires an approved child care agency to make a report upon the escape or disappearance of a child in the care of the agency and to designate an individual who is responsible for making the required report.

Creates a Class B misdemeanor for a designated individual who intentionally fails to comply with the reporting requirements relating to an escaped or missing child.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL AS AMENDED:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Changes to disclosure and reporting requirements for certain child care agencies will not have a meaningful impact on state or local government.
- According to information provided by DCS, the provisions of the proposed legislation will not have a significant fiscal impact on the Department.
- There is not estimated to be enough Class B misdemeanor offenses of intentionally failing to comply with reporting requirements to result in a significant increase in incarcerations or generate significant revenue from increased fines.
- Any fiscal impact to state or local government is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Krista Lee Carsner". The signature is written in a cursive style with a distinct loop at the end of the last name.

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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