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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2660

As Recommended by House Committee on
Health and Human Services

Brief*

HB 2660 would amend the Child Care Act. Specifically, the bill would require the Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) to issue renewable licenses to day care facilities, and that these facilities display the sticker indicating that the facility's license was up-to-date. Twenty-four-hour residential facilities would be issued non-expiring licenses. In conjunction with this change, the bill would define the terms "day care center" and "maternity center."

The bill would remove the requirement that applicants for licensure be high school graduates. The bill also would allow KDHE to limit or modify the terms of a license rather than suspending the license outright.

Background

A representative of KDHE appeared as a proponent for the bill. There was no neutral or opposing testimony.

The KDHE representative testified that removing the requirement that licensees be high school graduates eliminates a potential barrier for individuals that may otherwise be qualified. KDHE also testified that issuing non-expiring licenses to 24-hour residential facilities such as foster homes would help avoid disruption in placement decisions.

*Supplemental notes are prepared by the Legislative Research Department and do not express legislative intent. The supplemental note and fiscal note for this bill may be accessed on the Internet at <http://www.kslegislature.org>

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of Budget, passage of this bill would have no fiscal effect.