

1 ENGROSSED SENATE
2 BILL NO. 1800

By: David of the Senate

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4 Walker of the House

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7 [child care facilities - duties of advisory
8 committees - effective date]
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10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

11 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 10 O.S. 2011, Section 404, is
12 amended to read as follows:

13 Section 404. A. 1. The Department of Human Services shall
14 appoint advisory committees of representatives of child care
15 facilities and others to:

16 a. prepare minimum requirements and desirable standards
17 for promulgation by the Commission for Human Services,

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19 b. provide advice regarding concerns brought by child
20 care facilities or referred by the Department to
21 assist facilities in meeting minimum requirements.

22 2. Committee members shall be appointed for a three-year term,
23 with a two-consecutive-term limit. A majority of any committee
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1 appointed to prepare requirements and standards for child care
2 facilities shall be representatives of child care facilities.

3 3. The advisory committee shall create a Child Care Facility
4 Peer Review Board whose purpose shall be to participate in the
5 Department's grievance process. The Commission shall promulgate
6 rules specifying the duties of the Child Care Facility Peer Review
7 Board in the grievance process.

8 B. Child care facilities shall not allow children to be left
9 alone in the care of any person under eighteen (18) years of age.

10 C. The Commission shall promulgate rules establishing minimum
11 requirements and desirable standards as may be deemed necessary or
12 advisable to carry out the provisions of the Oklahoma Child Care
13 Facilities Licensing Act.

14 D. Such rules shall not be promulgated until after consultation
15 with the State Department of Health, the State Department of
16 Education, the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation, the State
17 Fire Marshal, and any other agency deemed necessary by the
18 Commission. Not less than sixty (60) days' notice, by regular mail,
19 shall be given to all current licensees before any changes are made
20 in such rules.

21 E. In order to improve the standards of child care, the
22 Department shall advise and cooperate with licensees, the governing
23 bodies and staff of licensed child care facilities and assist the
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1 staff through advice of progressive methods and procedures, and
2 suggestions for the improvement of services.

3 F. The Department may participate in federal programs for child
4 care services, and enter into agreements or plans on behalf of the
5 state for that purpose, in accordance with federal laws and
6 regulations.

7 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2012.

8 Passed the Senate the 12th day of March, 2012.

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Presiding Officer of the Senate

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12 Passed the House of Representatives the ____ day of _____,
13 2012.

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