

BILL SUMMARY
1st Session of the 58th Legislature

Bill No.:	HB1797
Version:	SAHB
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Author:	Rep. Miller/Sen. Garvin
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Impact:	No impact

Research Analysis

The Senate amendment to HB1797 changes the time frame in which a facility owner or operator shall notify parents or legal guardians of children attending the facility by notified mail from one day to 72 hours.

HB 1797 states that it will be unlawful for an individual under investigation for heinous and shocking abuse while responsible for a child to work with children or reside in a child care facility while the investigation is pending. It is also unlawful for an employer who provides services to children to willfully and knowingly contract with such an individual while the investigation is pending.

This measure also states that if the Department determines a substantiated finding of heinous and shocking abuse by a person responsible for a child, the Department shall notify the child care facility owner and the child care resource and referral agency within one (1) day after the finding. The facility shall also notify parents or guardians within one 72 hours of the finding. The Department will also develop a process prohibiting the perpetrator from future child care employment.

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Fiscal Analysis

The Senate amendment HB 1797 has no fiscal or revenue considerations to the state.

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Other Considerations

None.