

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
State of Oklahoma

SPEAKER:

CHAIR:

I move to amend HB2949 \_\_\_\_\_  
Of the printed Bill  
Page \_\_\_\_\_ Section \_\_\_\_\_ Lines \_\_\_\_\_  
Of the Engrossed Bill

By deleting the content of the entire measure, and by inserting in lieu thereof the following language:

AMEND TITLE TO CONFORM TO AMENDMENTS

Adopted: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Reading Clerk

Amendment submitted by: Mark Tedford  
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STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 60th Legislature (2026)

PROPOSED SUBCOMMITTEE  
SUBSTITUTE  
FOR  
HOUSE BILL NO. 2949

By: Tedford

PROPOSED SUBCOMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

An Act relating to child care facilities; providing legislative finding; directing that licensed child care facilities maintain certain staff-to-child ratios; directing the Department of Human Services to promulgate rules; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 405.6 of Title 10, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. The Oklahoma Legislature finds that maintaining safe, developmentally appropriate child-to-staff ratios is essential for protecting the welfare of children in licensed child care centers while promoting accessibility and affordability for Oklahoma families.

B. Licensed child care centers shall maintain the following minimum staff-to-child ratios:

1        1. For children from birth through eleven (11) months of age,  
2 there shall be one staff member for every five children;

3        2. For children from twelve (12) months of age through twenty-  
4 three (23) months of age, there shall be one staff member for every  
5 seven children;

6        3. For children from two (2) years of age up to three (3) years  
7 of age, there shall be one staff member for every nine children;

8        4. For children from three (3) years of age up to four (4)  
9 years of age, there shall be one staff member for every twelve  
10 children;

11       5. For children from four (4) years of age through five (5)  
12 years of age, there shall be one staff member for every fifteen  
13 children; and

14       6. For children six (6) years of age or older, there shall be  
15 one staff member for every twenty children.

16       C. The Department of Human Services shall promulgate any rules  
17 necessary to bring the Oklahoma Administrative Code into conformity  
18 with this act.

19       SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2026.  
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