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**From:** Sen.Wirch  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 27, 2008 1:19 PM  
**To:** Gassman, Roberta - DWD  
**Cc:** Renk, Jeff; Richard, JoAnna - DWD; Saterfield, Laura - DWD  
**Subject:** Request for meeting regarding Clearinghouse Rule 07-071 relating to child care certification and affecting small businesses.

Dear Secretary Gassman,

As Chairman of the Senate Committee that has oversight of Clearinghouse Rule 07-071, I am writing to request a meeting with Department staff regarding the proposed rule.

I would like to have a greater discussion regarding the definition of "certified family child care operator" contained in the rule with Department staff.

If a member of your staff could arrange a time to visit my office to discuss this issue, I would appreciate it.

Thank you.

Robert W Wirch  
State Senator  
22<sup>nd</sup> Senate District

Jim Doyle  
Governor

Roberta Gassman  
Secretary



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March 5, 2008

The Honorable Robert Wirth, Chair  
Senate Committee on Small Business,  
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Development, Technical Colleges and  
Consumer Protection  
Room 317 East, State Capitol  
Madison, WI 53707

The Honorable Carol Owens, Chair  
Assembly Committee on Children and Family  
Law  
Room 315 North, State Capitol  
Madison, WI 53707

Re: DWD 55/CR07-071, relating to child care certification

Dear Senator Wirth and Representative Owens:

Pursuant to s. 227.19 (4) (b) 3., Stats., the Department of Workforce Development is submitting a germane modification to proposed rule DWD 55, relating to child care certification. This modification is in response to a meeting on March 3 with Senator Wirth's staff and representatives of AFSCME Child Care Providers Together.

The Department agrees to modify s. DWD 55.02 (3b) to read:

**DWD 55.02 (3b)** "Certified family child care operator" means a certified child care operator who provides care in a private residential property.

The previous version of s. DWD 55.02 (3b) stated that a "certified family child care operator" means a certified child care operator who provides care in the operator's own home.

If you have any questions about the substantive content of these rules, please contact Pirkko Zweifel at (608) 261-4595.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Hector Colon'.

Héctor Colón  
Executive Assistant