DRAFTER'S NOTE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU

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Shelle Michalak:

This is a redraft of the bill based on the mark-up that you sent on September 22, at 9:58 a.m.

The mark-up was on the /3 version of the draft, not the latest version (the /4). As we discussed, I did not add the language about a representative of the Parent Teacher's Organization or similar organization because two parents were added to the council in the /4 version.

Research on the Internet showed that the EcoLogo program is operated by TerraChoice Environmental Marketing, Inc., so this version of the draft refers to that entity.

Proposed s. 254.565 (2) (b) requires the Department of Health Services (DHS) to promulgate rules for specified types of products based on third party standards that are in place when the bill is enacted. I checked each of the private standards organizations to ensure that for each type of product listed in that provision, the draft only lists private entities that currently have a standard for the product. As best I can tell, Green Seal, Inc., is working on standards for laundry care products, but does not yet have them so I did not add Green Seal, Inc., to proposed s. 254.565 (2) (b) 3.

The mark-up of the draft indicated that another provision should be added to s. 254.565 (2) (b) to require DHS to promulgate rules for standards for janitorial processes "that are certified by the Greenguard Environmental Institute to its Children and Schools Standard" that is in place when the bill is enacted. I am unable to find any indication that Greenguard Environmental Institute has certified any janitorial processes to its Children and Schools Standard (or even that it has a process for doing so). Therefore, I have not included that language in this redraft. Please note that the draft authorizes DHS to promulgate rules specifying standards for a janitorial or sanitation process if Greenguard Environmental Institute does adopt or certify a standard for the process.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

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