June 5, 2015 – Introduced by Representatives T. LARSON, JOHNSON, KLEEFISCH, A. OTT and SUBECK, cosponsored by Senator MOULTON. Referred to Committee on Children and Families.

AN ACT to amend 48.65 (1) of the statutes; relating to: requiring a person who provides care for children without compensation to obtain a child care center license.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, no person, for compensation, may provide care and supervision for four or more children under the age of seven for less than 24 hours a day unless that person obtains a license to operate a child care center from the Department of Children and Families. This bill prohibits a person from providing care or supervision for four or more children under the age of seven for less than 24 hours a day without a child care center license regardless of whether the person does so for compensation or not.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 48.65 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

48.65 (1) No person may for compensation provide care and supervision for 4 or more children under the age of 7 for less than 24 hours a day unless that person obtains a license to operate a child care center from the department. To obtain a
license under this subsection to operate a child care center, a person must meet the minimum requirements for a license established by the department under s. 48.67, meet the requirements specified in s. 48.685, and pay the license fee under sub. (3). A license issued under this subsection is valid until revoked or suspended, but shall be reviewed every 2 years as provided in s. 48.66 (5).