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Report From Agency

Rule Report for Legislative Review

Child Care Certification and Licensing Updates Related to the Child Care Development Block Grant and Streamlining

DCF 12, 13, 40, 202, 204, 250, 251, and 252

CR 19-089

Basis and Purpose of the Proposed Rules

The primary purpose of the proposed rules is to ensure that the department's rules affecting child care certification and licensing comply with the health and safety requirements in federal regulations based on the Child Care Development Block Grant (CCDBG) Act of 2014. The proposed rules also regroup the department's child care certification and licensing rules that address the same topics in different places, eliminate duplicative provisions, correct errors, and clarify language where needed to ensure proper implementation and administration of the health and safety requirements.

Public Hearing Summary

The department held a public hearing in Madison on July 25, 2019. A summary of comments received and the department's responses is attached.

Response to Legislative Council Staff Recommendations

The department's response is attached.

Changes to Analysis Prepared under Section 227.14 (2), Stats.

The title of the department's unit that receives appeals of an ineligibility determination on the child care background check was changed from Caregiver Background Check Unit to Child Care Background Unit.

Final Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

The proposed rules will affect small businesses that are child care operators or licensees, but will not have a significant economic impact. Most of the substantive changes in the rule are required by federal law. Several other changes are less restrictive than the current rule. Most of the substantive changes in the rule are required by federal law. Several other changes are less restrictive than the current rule.

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