

2020 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 606

BY REPRESENTATIVE EMERSON

CHILDREN/CARE: Provides relative to family and in-home child care providers

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 17:407.65(D), relative to family child care providers and in-home providers
3 registered with the state Department of Education; to provide relative to complaints
4 concerning and inspections of such providers by the department; to require the
5 department to report information regarding such complaints and inspections to
6 certain legislative committees; and to provide for related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 17:407.65(D) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

9 §407.65. Inspections; complaints; reporting by department

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11 D. On or before March first annually, the department shall submit a report
12 to the House Committee on Education and the Senate Committee on Education
13 which includes all of the following information:

14 (1) The number of complaints that the department received in the preceding
15 calendar year regarding registered family child care providers and in-home
16 providers.

17 (2) The number of registered family child care providers and in-home
18 providers that were subject to complaints in the preceding calendar year.

1 (3) The number of inspections of registered family child care providers and
2 in-home providers that the department conducted as authorized in this Section in the
3 preceding calendar year.

4 (4) Any general information concerning registered family child care
5 providers and in-home providers that the state superintendent of education deems
6 necessary and appropriate.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides for reporting of general information by the state Dept. of Education on complaints concerning and inspections of family child care providers and in-home providers.

Present law provides for registration of family child care providers and in-home providers with the state Dept. of Education (department). Defines these providers, respectively, as follows:

- (1) "Family child care provider" means an individual who provides child care services for fewer than 24 hours per day per child, as the sole caregiver, for six or fewer children, in a private residence.
- (2) "In-home provider" means an individual who provides child care services in the child or children's own home.

Present law provides relative to complaints concerning family child care providers and in-home providers and inspections of such providers by the department. Proposed law retains present law and adds thereto a requirement that on or before March 1st annually, the department submit a report to the legislative committees on education which includes all of the following information:

- (1) The number of complaints that the department received in the preceding calendar year regarding registered family child care providers and in-home providers.
- (2) The number of registered family child care providers and in-home providers that were subject to complaints in the preceding calendar year.
- (3) The number of inspections of registered family child care providers and in-home providers that the department conducted as authorized in this Section in the preceding calendar year.
- (4) Any general information concerning registered family child care providers and in-home providers that the state superintendent of education deems necessary and appropriate.

(Adds R.S. 17:407.65(D))