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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION 923

2 WHEREAS, Providers of private day care homes offer an
3 invaluable service to parents who need to find daily care for
4 their children and seek to do so in a small and affordable
5 setting; and

6 WHEREAS, Licensure and regulations can be a burden on
7 small day care providers who make a sincere effort to meet the
8 requirements while running a viable business; and

9 WHEREAS, Parents often struggle to afford child care
10 across the nation, and Illinois ranks as one of the most
11 expensive states for child care per the Economic Policy
12 Institute; and

13 WHEREAS, It is incumbent upon the General Assembly to find
14 ways to lower the cost of child care in this State to ensure
15 that parents have access to affordable child care; and

16 WHEREAS, Illinois and other states across the country have
17 been plagued by an insurance liability crisis causing many
18 child care providers to shut their doors; and

19 WHEREAS, Illinois cannot afford to lose more child care
20 providers due to overly burdensome regulations; and

1 WHEREAS, The responsibility for the licensure of day care
2 homes in the State of Illinois is in the process of moving from
3 the purview of the Illinois Department of Children and Family
4 Services to the newly created Illinois Department of Early
5 Childhood; and

6 WHEREAS, The licensure and regulation of day cares remains
7 an important responsibility of this State to protect the
8 well-being of our children; therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
10 HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
11 we urge the Illinois Department of Early Childhood (IDEC) to
12 study ways to reduce licensure and regulation burdens on day
13 care homes in Illinois; and be it further

14 RESOLVED, That we urge the IDEC to specifically study:

15 (1) Ways to combine the multiple required trainings
16 and certifications into fewer or a single training or
17 certification while meeting required health and safety
18 standards; and

19 (2) How to ensure that the detailed requirements for
20 licensing are not used to penalize or deny license
21 renewals based on technical violations when the day care
22 provider is in substantial compliance and making progress

1 and good faith effort towards full compliance with the
2 requirements; and be it further

3 RESOLVED, That we urge the IDEC to issue a report with
4 their findings on these items to the General Assembly by July
5 1, 2028; and be it further

6 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
7 delivered to the Illinois Department of Early Childhood.