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#### HB3187

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### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

225 ILCS 10/2.09

from Ch. 23, par. 2212.09

Amends the Child Care Act of 1969. Provides that "day care center" does not include certain programs or portions of programs that serve children who shall have attained the age of 2 years (rather than 3 years). Makes conforming changes.

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AN ACT concerning regulation.

# Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The Child Care Act of 1969 is amended by 5 changing Section 2.09 as follows:

6 (225 ILCS 10/2.09) (from Ch. 23, par. 2212.09)

Sec. 2.09. "Day care center" means any child care facility which regularly provides day care for less than 24 hours per day for (1) more than 8 children in a family home, or (2) more than 3 children in a facility other than a family home, including senior citizen buildings.

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The term does not include:

13 programs operated by (i) public or private (a) 14 elementary school systems or secondary level school units or institutions of higher learning that serve children who 15 16 shall have attained the age of 3 years or (ii) private 17 entities on the grounds of public or private elementary or secondary schools and that serve children who have 18 19 attained the age of 3 years, except that this exception applies only to the facility and not to the private 20 21 entities' personnel operating the program;

(b) programs or that portion of the program which
 serves children who shall have attained the age of 3 years

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and which are recognized by the State Board of Education;

(c) educational program or programs serving children
who shall have attained the age of 3 years and which are
operated by a school which is registered with the State
Board of Education and which is recognized or accredited
by a recognized national or multistate educational
organization or association which regularly recognizes or
accredits schools;

9 (d) programs which exclusively serve or that portion 10 of the program which serves children with disabilities who 11 shall have attained the age of 3 years but are less than 21 12 years of age and which are registered and approved as 13 meeting standards of the State Board of Education and 14 applicable fire marshal standards;

(e) facilities operated in connection with a shopping
center or service, religious services, or other similar
facility, where transient children are cared for
temporarily while parents or custodians of the children
are occupied on the premises and readily available;

20 (f) any type of day care center that is conducted on 21 federal government premises;

(g) special activities programs, including athletics,
 crafts instruction, and similar activities conducted on an
 organized and periodic basis by civic, charitable and
 governmental organizations;

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(h) part day child care facilities, as defined in

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Section 2.10 of this Act; 1 (i) programs or that portion of the program which: 2 (1) serves children who shall have attained the 3 age of  $2\frac{3}{2}$  years; 4 5 (2) is operated by churches or religious institutions as described in Section 501(c)(3) of the 6 7 federal Internal Revenue Code; 8 (3) receives no governmental aid; 9 (4) is operated as a component of a religious, 10 nonprofit elementary school; 11 (5) operates primarily to provide religious 12 education; and 13 (6) meets appropriate State or local health and 14 fire safety standards; or 15 (j) programs or portions of programs that: 16 (1) serve only school-age children and youth 17 (defined as full-time kindergarten children, as defined in 89 Ill. Adm. Code 407.45, or older); 18 19 (2) are organized to promote childhood learning, 20 child and youth development, educational or recreational activities, or character-building; 21 22 (3) operate primarily during out-of-school time or 23 at times when school is not normally in session; (4) comply with the standards of the Illinois 24 25 Department of Public Health (77 Ill. Adm. Code 750) or 26 the local health department, the Illinois State Fire

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Marshal (41 Ill. Adm. Code 100), and the following 1 2 additional health and safety requirements: procedures 3 for employee and volunteer emergency preparedness and practice drills; procedures to ensure that first aid 4 5 kits are maintained and ready to use; the placement of a minimum level of liability insurance as determined 6 7 by the Department; procedures for the availability of a working telephone that is onsite and accessible at 8 9 all times; procedures to ensure that emergency phone numbers are posted onsite; and a restriction on 10 11 handgun or weapon possession onsite, except if 12 possessed by a peace officer;

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(5) perform and maintain authorization and results
of criminal history checks through the Illinois State
Police and FBI and checks of the Illinois Sex Offender
Registry, the National Sex Offender Registry, and
Child Abuse and Neglect Tracking System for employees
and volunteers who work directly with children;

19 (6) make hiring decisions in accordance with the 20 prohibitions against barrier crimes as specified in 21 Section 4.2 of this Act or in Section 21B-80 of the 22 School Code;

(7) provide parents with written disclosure that
the operations of the program are not regulated by
licensing requirements; and

(8) obtain and maintain records showing the first

and last name and date of birth of the child, name,
 address, and telephone number of each parent,
 emergency contact information, and written
 authorization for medical care.

5 Programs or portions of programs requesting Child Care 6 Assistance Program (CCAP) funding and otherwise meeting the 7 requirements under item (j) shall request exemption from the 8 Department and be determined exempt prior to receiving funding 9 and must annually meet the eligibility requirements and be 10 appropriate for payment under the CCAP.

11 Programs or portions of programs under item (j) that do 12 not receive State or federal funds must comply with staff qualification and training standards established by rule by 13 the Department of Human Services. The Department of Human 14 15 Services shall set such standards after review of Afterschool 16 for Children and Teens Now (ACT Now) evidence-based quality 17 standards developed for school-age out-of-school time feedback from the school-age out-of-school time 18 programs, program professionals, and review of out-of-school 19 time 20 professional development frameworks and quality tools.

Out-of-school time programs for school-age youth that receive State or federal funds must comply with only those staff qualifications and training standards set for the program by the State or federal entity issuing the funds.

For purposes of items (a), (b), (c), <u>and</u> (d), and (i) of this Section, "children who shall have attained the age of 3 HB3187 - 6 - LRB102 13396 SPS 18740 b

years" shall mean children who are 3 years of age, but less than 4 years of age, at the time of enrollment in the program. For the purpose of item (i) of this Section, "children who shall have attained the age of 2 years" shall mean children who are 2 years of age, but less than 4 years of age, at the time of enrollment in the program.

7 (Source: P.A. 99-143, eff. 7-27-15; 99-699, eff. 7-29-16; 8 100-201, eff. 8-18-17.)