

# Administrative Rule Analysis

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## **CHILD WELFARE LICENSING**

**Department: Human Services**

**Agency: Child Welfare Licensing / Bureau of Children and Adult Licensing**

**Rule Set No.: 2006-047-HS**

**Complete to: 5/4/2015**

## **BACKGROUND & SUMMARY OF PROPOSED RULES SUBMITTED TO JCAR**

Rules promulgated under PA 116 of 1973, the Child Care Organizations Act, pertain to the responsibilities of the state concerning the licensing and regulation of child care facilities. The proposed rule changes concern the licensing of child care institutions and minimizing the health and safety risks to children in residential facilities by addressing specific safety issues, such as fire safety. These rule changes also include requirements for ensuring the qualifications and training of staff, the reporting of any suspected child abuse or neglect, and standards for record keeping.

## **FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED RULES**

The rules proposed by 2014-027-HS would affect all 197 licensed or approved child caring institutions which together represent a capacity of caring for approximately 8,000 youth. Because the Department of Human Services already annually reviews compliance, these rule changes should have no significant fiscal impact to the state or local units of government.

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