

# HOUSE BILL 1403

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By: **Delegate McCaskill**

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Assigned to: Ways and Means

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Family Child Care Homes and Large Family Child Care Homes – Age of**  
3 **Children in Care – Alterations**

4 FOR the purpose of altering the age of children in family child care homes and large family  
5 child care homes under which certain limitations on the number of children in care  
6 and certain adult to child ratios apply; and generally relating to the age of children  
7 in family child care homes and large family child care homes.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
9 Article – Education  
10 Section 9.5–305  
11 Annotated Code of Maryland  
12 (2022 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)

13 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,  
14 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

15 **Article – Education**

16 9.5–305.

17 (a) For purposes of this subtitle, a child care provider’s own children under the  
18 age of [2 years] **15 MONTHS** shall be counted as children served.

19 (b) (1) In a family child care home:

20 (i) There may not be more than:

21 1. 8 children in care at any given time; and

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



