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FISCAL NOTE

Senate Bill 529 (Senator Exum, *et al.*)
Economic and Environmental Affairs

Family Day Care - Group Size

This bill lowers to 18 months the age of children for which a family day care provider is required to maintain an adult to child ratio of at least one adult to every two children.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: The bill would not directly affect governmental operations or finances.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: Meaningful. Family day care providers are generally small businesses. This proposal would allow a family day care provider to care for more children between the ages of 18 months and two years old without requiring extra workers.

Analysis

Current Law: A family day care provider must maintain an adult to child ratio of at least one adult to every two children under the age of two at all times.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: HB 896 (Delegate Howard) – Environmental Matters.

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