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Support House Bill 948

Sex Offenders – Informal Child Care Services – Prohibition

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- The basics behind the legislation keep individuals that are registered sex offenders from offering babysitting services without first notifying the potential client that they are a registered sex offender.
- Without a law prohibiting registered sex offenders from providing child care services a registrant could easily advertise and open their home to informal (not requiring a license) child care (babysitting) services.
- Comar 13A.14.06.02 provides the definition of babysitting as “care that is provided in the babysitter’s home for unrelated children for less than 20 hours a month, for which State law exempts the babysitter from being licensed.”