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AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 477
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, strike beginning with “altering” in line 4 down through “home;” in line 5; in line 6, strike “family child care homes and”; in the same line, after “centers;” insert “requiring the State Department of Education to report certain information on family child care homes on or before a certain date;”; and in line 10, strike “9.5–305 and”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, strike in their entirety lines 1 through 28, inclusive.

On page 3, in line 7, strike “**AT LEAST 1 ADULT TO EVERY**”; in line 8, strike “**4**” and substitute “**AT LEAST 1 ADULT TO EVERY 3**”; in the same line, after “**YEAR**” insert “**OR AT LEAST 2 ADULTS TO EVERY 7 CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 1 YEAR**”; in line 9, strike “**5**” and substitute “**AT LEAST 1 ADULT TO EVERY 4**”; and in line 10, after “**YEARS**” insert “**, WITH A MAXIMUM OF 8 CHILDREN**”.

On page 4, after line 10, insert:

“SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, on or before December 1, 2025, the State Department of Education shall submit a report to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2–1257 of the State Government Article, on family child care homes that:

(1) identifies and compares adult to child ratios in family child care settings in different states and regions;

(2) analyzes the impact of adult to child ratios in family child care homes and the impact on child development, child safety, and caregiver workload;

(3) examines ways for the State to better support family child care home providers; and

(4) includes recommendations to the General Assembly on adult to child ratios in family child care homes in the State.”;

and in line 11, strike “2.” and substitute “3.”.