

House Study Bill 559

Bill Text

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1 1 Section 1. Section 139.9, subsection 2, Code 1997, is
1 2 amended to read as follows:

1 3 2. a. A person shall not be enrolled in any licensed
1 4 child care center, elementary or secondary school in Iowa
1 5 without evidence of adequate immunization against diphtheria,
1 6 pertussis, tetanus, poliomyelitis, rubeola, and rubella.

1 7 b. Evidence of adequate immunization against haemophilus
1 8 influenza b shall be required prior to enrollment in any
1 9 licensed child care center.

1 10 c. Evidence of hepatitis type B immunization shall be
1 11 required prior to enrollment in school beyond the elementary
1 12 grade levels.

1 13 d. Immunizations shall be provided according to
1 14 recommendations provided by the Iowa department of public
1 15 health subject to the provisions of subsections 3 and 4.

1 16 Sec. 2. HEPATITIS TYPE B PLAN. The Iowa department of
1 17 public health shall develop a plan for protecting Iowans
1 18 against hepatitis type B and requiring that minor children be
1 19 adequately immunized against hepatitis type B. The plan shall
1 20 incorporate the health and religious exemptions in section
1 21 139.9, subsections 3 and 4. The plan shall be submitted to
1 22 the governor and general assembly by October 1, 1998.

1 23 Sec. 3. RULES APPLICABILITY. Section 1 of this Act,
1 24 requiring evidence of hepatitis type B immunization, shall
1 25 first be applicable to enrollments for the 1999-2000 school
1 26 year. The Iowa department of public health shall adopt rules
1 27 on or before October 1, 1998, to implement the provisions of
1 28 section 1 of this Act.

1 29 Sec. 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of
1 30 immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.

1 31 EXPLANATION

1 32 This bill relates to hepatitis type B immunizations of
1 33 children and requires the Iowa department of public health to
1 34 develop a plan for requiring hepatitis type B immunizations of
1 35 children. The plan is to be submitted to the governor and
2 1 general assembly by October 1, 1998.

2 2 The bill requires evidence of hepatitis type B immunization
2 3 for children enrolling in school beyond the elementary grade
2 4 levels. The requirement is first applicable to children
2 5 enrolling for the 1999-2000 school year. Existing provisions
2 6 for health and religious exemptions are applicable.

2 7 The bill takes effect upon enactment.

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