

Senate File 2084 - Introduced

SENATE FILE 2084
BY JOHNSON

A BILL FOR

1 An Act authorizing persons who are relatives, friends, or
2 neighbors to provide child care as unregistered child care
3 home providers under certain circumstances.
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 237A.1, subsection 6, Code 2009, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 6. "*Child care home*" means a person or program providing
4 child care ~~to five or fewer children at any one time~~ that is
5 not registered to provide child care under this chapter, as
6 authorized under section 237A.3.

7 Sec. 2. Section 237A.3, subsection 1, Code 2009, is amended
8 to read as follows:

9 1. a. A person or program providing child care to five
10 children or fewer at any one time is a child care home provider
11 and is not required to register under section 237A.3A as a
12 child development home.

13 b. In addition to a person or program described in paragraph
14 "a", a child care home provider also includes a person providing
15 child care to only related children, a person providing before
16 or after school child care without charge to only children of
17 friends or neighbors, and a person providing child care to only
18 children from an unrelated family.

19 c. ~~However, the~~ A person or program described in this
20 subsection may register as a child development home.

21 EXPLANATION

22 This bill amends Code section 237A.3, relating to child
23 care homes, to authorize a person providing child care to only
24 related children, a person providing before or after school
25 child care without charge to only children of friends or
26 neighbors, or a person providing child care to only children
27 from an unrelated family to provide the child care as a
28 child care home provider. Under current law, child care home
29 providers are limited to persons who provide child care to
30 five children or fewer at any one time and are not required to
31 register with the department of human services.

32 The bill also amends the term "child care home" in Code
33 section 237A.1 to eliminate language referring to the
34 restriction on the number of children.