

House Study Bill 539 - Introduced

HOUSE FILE _____
BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON
HUMAN RESOURCES BILL BY
CHAIRPERSON MEYER)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the minimum age requirements for employees,
2 substitutes, and volunteers working at a child care
3 facility.
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES — CHILD CARE
2 PROVIDER MINIMUM AGE REQUIREMENT. The department of human
3 services shall amend its administrative rules pursuant to
4 chapter 17A to provide that employees, substitutes, and
5 volunteers working at a child care facility who are sixteen
6 years of age or older may provide child care to children
7 without additional supervision. For the purposes of this
8 section, "child care" and "child care facility" mean the same
9 as defined in section 237A.1.

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EXPLANATION

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The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

13 This bill relates to minimum age requirements for employees,
14 substitutes, and volunteers working at a child care facility.

15 The bill requires the department of human services to amend
16 its administrative rules to provide that persons age 16 or
17 older employed, substituting, or volunteering at a child care
18 facility may provide child care without supervision. "Child
19 care" means the care, supervision, and guidance of a child by a
20 person other than the child's parent, guardian, or custodian
21 for periods of less than 24 hours per day per child on a regular
22 basis, with certain exceptions. "Child care facility" means a
23 child care center, preschool, or registered child development
24 home.