

SENATE BILL NO. 312

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2/02 Referred to Public Health, Welfare & Safety
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1 *Senate* BILL NO. *312*
 2 INTRODUCED BY *File* *J. Brown Bergene*
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4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING THE
 5 DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND REHABILITATION SERVICES TO PROVIDE
 6 INFORMATION ABOUT LOCAL DAY-CARE FACILITIES TO PARENTS AND
 7 OTHERS AND ASSISTANCE TO LICENSEES AND PROSPECTIVE
 8 LICENSEES; AMENDING SECTIONS 53-4-503 AND 53-4-511, MCA; AND
 9 PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."

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 11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

12 Section 1. Section 53-4-503, MCA, is amended to read:
 13 "53-4-503. Powers and duties of the department.

14 (1) The department shall:

15 ~~(1)~~(a) issue licenses to persons to receive children
 16 into a day-care center on a regular basis;

17 ~~(2)~~(b) prescribe the conditions and publish minimum
 18 standards upon which licenses and registration certificates
 19 are issued;

20 ~~(3)~~(c) adopt rules for day-care facilities consistent
 21 with the purposes of this part; and

22 ~~(4)~~(d) issue registration certificates to a person or
 23 persons to receive children into a family day-care home or
 24 group day-care home on a regular basis.

25 (2) The department may contract with other public

1 agencies or with private organizations to provide
 2 information to parents and to provide information, technical
 3 assistance, and training to existing and prospective
 4 licensees and registrants, as required by 53-4-511."

5 Section 2. Section 53-4-511, MCA, is amended to read:
 6 "53-4-511. Periodic visits to facilities by department
 7 -- investigations -- ~~consultation with licensees and~~
 8 registrants dissemination of information. (1) The
 9 department or its authorized representative shall make
 10 periodic visits to all licensed day-care centers to ensure
 11 that minimum standards are maintained.

12 (2) The department may investigate and inspect the
 13 conditions and qualifications of any day-care center, group
 14 day-care home, or family day-care home seeking or holding a
 15 license or registration certificate under the provisions of
 16 this part.

17 (3) The department must visit and inspect at least 15%
 18 of all registered family day-care homes and group day-care
 19 homes in each of the governor's planning regions annually.

20 (4) Upon request of the department, the department of
 21 health and environmental sciences or the state fire marshal
 22 or his designee shall inspect any day care facility for
 23 which a license or registration certificate is applied for
 24 or issued and shall report its findings to the department.

25 ~~(5)~~ Upon request, the The department or its agent



1 ~~shall give consultation to every licensee and registrant who~~
2 ~~desires to upgrade the services of his program.;~~

3 (a) provide, on request, information, technical
4 assistance, and training to licensees and registrants and to
5 any person who proposes to license or register a day-care
6 facility in Montana; and

7 (b) establish in each county at least one outlet
8 through which any parent or other interested person may
9 conveniently obtain current information about registered and
10 licensed day-care facilities in his area."

11 NEW SECTION. Section 3. Extension of authority. Any
12 existing authority of the department of social and
13 rehabilitation services to make rules on the subject of the
14 provisions of this act is extended to the provisions of this
15 act.

16 NEW SECTION. Section 4. Effective date. This act is
17 effective July 1, 1985.

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STATE OF MONTANA
FISCAL NOTE

REQUEST NO. FNN 355-85

Form BD-15

In compliance with a written request received February 6 19 85, there is hereby submitted a Fiscal Note for S.B. 312 pursuant to Title 5, Chapter 4, Part 2 of the Montana Code Annotated (MCA). Background information used in developing this Fiscal Note is available from the Office of Budget and Program Planning, to members of the Legislature upon request.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

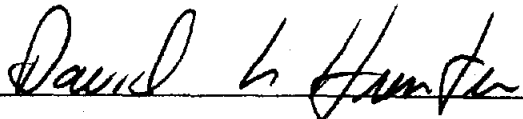
Senate Bill 312 requires the Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services to provide information about local day care facilities to parents and others and assistance to licensees and prospective licensees.

ASSUMPTIONS:

1. Approximately 900 licensed/registered day care facilities in Montana.
2. There are approximately 8,000 children in licensed or registered day care.
3. The department would contract with private organizations to provide information, technical assistance and training.
4. 8 districts which would need training or technical assistance.
5. \$9,000 per district would provide funds enough to train the day care providers in each district.
6. 1 FTE at state level to negotiate, monitor, coordinate and supervise the training contracts.
7. To comply with the requirement that at least one outlet be established in each county, the contracts would identify a phone number and responsible person in each county to supply current information about day care (not necessarily an SRS person).
8. Only the funds specifically appropriated for this bill would be available for contracts.

FISCAL IMPACT:

	1986	1987
Personal Services	\$ 24,000	\$ 24,000
Operating	4,000	4,000
TOTAL	\$ 28,000	\$ 28,000
Benefits	72,000	72,000
Total Expenditures	\$100,000	\$100,000
Total General Fund Cost	\$100,000	\$100,000



BUDGET DIRECTOR
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