A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO FEES FOR CHILD CARE LICENSING AND REGISTRATION.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1	SECT	ION 1. Chapter 346, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is	
2	amended b	y adding a new section to be appropriately designated	
3	and to read as follows:		
4	" <u>§34</u>	6- Child care licensing and registration special	
5	fund. (a) There is established within the state treasury, to	
6	be admini	stered by the department, the child care licensing and	
7	registrat	ion special fund into which shall be deposited:	
8	(1)	All fees received from applicants for a license to	
9		operate group child care homes or group child care	
10		centers as provided in section 346-163 and from	
11		applicants for a certificate of registration for	
12		family child care homes as provided in section 346-	
13		<u>173;</u>	
14	(2)	Appropriations made by the legislature to the fund;	
15		<u>and</u>	
16	<u>(3)</u>	Any other revenues designated for the fund.	
17	(b)	Moneys in the child care licensing and registration	

special fund shall be used for the following purposes:

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1	(1)	The costs of administering child care licensing and	
2		registration; and	
3	(2)	Any other purpose deemed necessary by the department	
4		to ensure the health and safety of children.	
5	<u>(c)</u>	All interest on special fund balances shall accrue to	
6	the credit	t of the special fund. Upon dissolution of the child	
7	care licensing and registration special fund, any unencumbered		
8	moneys in the fund shall lapse to the credit of the general		
9	fund."		
10	SECTION 2. Section 346-163, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is		
11	amended to read as follows:		
12	"§34e	6-163 Licenses and temporary permits. (a) If	
13	satisfied that the applicant meets the minimum standards		
14	established pursuant to section 346-162 and subject to the		
15	criminal history record checks and child abuse record checks of		
16	section 346-154, the department shall grant the applicant a		
17	license for the operation of a group child care home or group		
18	child care center, as the case may be. The license shall be		
19	valid for:		
20	(1)	One year for new applicants and for those who have	
21		been licensed for less than four years; and	

- 1 (2) Two years for those who have been licensed for four
- years or more,
- 3 unless sooner revoked. Where the activities of the applicant
- 4 fall within the licensing requirements of the department of
- 5 education and this subpart, a license shall be required from
- 6 both the department of education and the department of human
- 7 services.
- 8 A temporary permit may be issued for a period of six months
- 9 at the department's discretion to any applicant who is
- 10 temporarily unable to conform to all of the minimum standards.
- 11 Renewal of the temporary permit shall be left to the
- 12 department's discretion; provided that the combined period of
- 13 the initial and subsequently renewed permits shall not exceed
- 14 twenty-four months. Licenses and permits shall be conspicuously
- 15 posted on the licensed premises.
- 16 (b) The department may establish reasonable fees for the
- 17 issuance or renewal of licenses and permits according to rules
- 18 adopted pursuant to chapter 91."
- 19 SECTION 3. Section 346-173, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 20 amended to read as follows:
- 21 "[+] §346-173[+] Procedure for registration. (a) A person
- 22 desiring to have the person's home registered as a family child

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- 1 care home shall make application to the department. Upon
- 2 receipt of the application, the department shall conduct a study
- 3 of the applicant's qualifications, home, and proposed operation.
- 4 The department shall issue a certificate of registration to the
- 5 applicant which authorizes the applicant to operate a family
- 6 child care home if the department is satisfied that the premises
- 7 and proposed operation will be in compliance with the minimum
- 8 requirements established under section 346-172 and subject to
- 9 the criminal history record checks under section 346-154.
- 10 The provider shall operate and maintain the premises of the
- 11 family child care home in accordance with the minimum
- 12 requirements established under section 346-172 so long as
- 13 registered.
- 14 (b) The department may establish reasonable fees for the
- 15 issuance or renewal of certificates of registration according to
- 16 rules adopted pursuant to chapter 91."
- 17 SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 18 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 19 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Report Title:

Child Care; License or Certificate of Registration; Fees

Description:

Allows the Department of Human Services to charge reasonable fees to obtain a child care license or certificate of registration and establishes a special fund. (HB2540 HD1)

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