A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO CHILD CARE.

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

1	SECTION 1. Chapter 346, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2	amended by adding a new section to subpart B of part VIII to be
3	appropriately designated and to read as follows:
4	"§346- Failure to properly care for a child resulting in
5	death or injury. (a) Any person who operates, maintains, or
6	conducts a group child care home or group child care center in
7	which a child dies or is injured as a result of failure to
8	properly care for the child shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.
9	(b) For the purposes of this section, failure to properly
10	care for a child shall be presumed when a person who operates,
11	maintains, or conducts a group child care home or group child
12	care center violates a statute, rule, or regulation relating to
13	child care.
14	(c) Notwithstanding any provision of section 346-164 to
15	the contrary, any license or temporary permit issued under this
16	part to a person convicted of an offense under this section

shall be revoked immediately upon conviction."

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- 1 SECTION 2. Section 346-164, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 2 amended to read as follows:
- 3 "§346-164 Suspension and revocation of licenses and
- 4 permits; reissuance. Any license or temporary permit issued
- 5 under this subpart may be suspended or revoked by the department
- 6 of human services after due notice and hearing, the provisions
- 7 for which shall be made in the rules. However, upon a
- 8 determination by the department that conditions exist which
- 9 constitute an imminent danger to the health, welfare, or safety
- 10 of the children cared for, a license or temporary permit may be
- 11 immediately suspended pending a hearing by the department as
- 12 herein provided. The department, in its discretion, may reissue
- 13 a license or temporary permit which has been suspended or
- 14 revoked upon satisfying itself that minimum standards have been
- or will be met[-]; provided that the department shall not
- 16 reissue a license or temporary permit which has been revoked
- 17 pursuant to section 346- (c) unless the conviction that
- 18 resulted in the revocation is vacated."
- 19 SECTION 3. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
- 20 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
- 21 begun before its effective date.



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SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is brackete
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- 2 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 3 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

Licensed Child Care Providers; Failure to Properly Care; Injury or Death; Misdemeanor

Description:

Establishes a misdemeanor offense when a child under the care of a licensed child care provider is injured or killed as a result of failure to properly care for the child. Requires that a child care provider's license be immediately revoked upon conviction of the new offense.

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