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# 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 part VIII to be appropriately  
3 designated and to read as follows:

4 "§346- Demonstration projects; requirements;  
5 modifications. (a) A child care facility may establish a  
6 demonstration project for a specific purpose, or set of  
7 purposes, upon receiving written approval from the department.

8 (b) The child care facility shall submit a written  
9 proposal to the department indicating the following:

- 10 (1) Purpose of the project;  
11 (2) Description of the project;  
12 (3) Length of the project;  
13 (4) Specific child care rules that shall be exempted by  
14 the project; and  
15 (5) Justification for the proposed exemptions.

16 (c) The persons responsible for the project, or their  
17 designee, shall appear in person to discuss the proposal with



1 the department, or the department's designee, upon request by  
2 the department.

3 (d) A demonstration project that has been approved in  
4 writing by the department shall include, at the time of the  
5 project's approval:

6 (1) The words "licensed demonstration project" in the name  
7 or description; and

8 (2) Proof that the project is, at all times, in compliance  
9 with the child care rules, except as specifically  
10 exempted or modified in the department's written  
11 approval; and

12 (e) Within the last quarter of the time specified for the  
13 demonstration project, the child care facility shall submit a  
14 written report to the department, which shall include:

15 (1) Developments, findings, recommendations, and  
16 suggestions for further study; and

17 (2) Any proposed recommendations for changing or modifying  
18 child care rules under the demonstration project,  
19 along with justifications for the change or  
20 modification.



1        (f) Proposed demonstration programs disapproved or  
2 discontinued by the department shall not use the words  
3 "demonstration project" in the identifying title, logo, or  
4 material."

5        SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.

6        SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2024.

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**Report Title:**

Child Care; Child Care Facilities; Department of Human Services;  
Demonstration Projects; Requirements

**Description:**

Codifies program modification requirements for demonstration projects established by child care facilities that are licensed by the Department of Human Services.

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