



General Assembly

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**Amendment**

LCO No. 4876

Offered by:

REP. DIAZ, 130<sup>th</sup> Dist.

To: Subst. House Bill No. 5624

File No. 373

Cal. No. 306

***"An Act Concerning The Administration Of Child Care Programs Under The Department Of Social Services."***

1 After line 135, insert the following and renumber the remaining  
2 section accordingly:

3 "Sec. 4. Section 17b-749k of the general statutes is repealed and the  
4 following is substituted in lieu thereof:

5 (a) [On and after January 1, 1998, the] The Commissioner of Social  
6 Services shall, within available appropriations, request a fingerprint  
7 criminal history records check for (1) any person [, other than a  
8 relative, providing child care services to a child in the child's home  
9 who] not related by marriage or blood within the fifth degree of  
10 kinship to a child for whom the person provides, in the child's home,  
11 child care services for which such person receives a child care subsidy  
12 from the Department of Social Services, or (2) any person who makes  
13 decisions on behalf of a child including, but not limited to, a social  
14 worker or caseworker. Each such person shall submit to the  
15 commissioner, upon the commissioner's request, a full set of  
16 fingerprints which will enable the commissioner to request a

17 fingerprint criminal history records check. Such fingerprint criminal  
18 history records check shall be requested from the State Police Bureau  
19 of Identification and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Any such  
20 fingerprint criminal history records check shall be limited to  
21 determining whether or not the person subject to such records check  
22 has been convicted in this state or any other state of a felony. The  
23 commissioner shall also request a check of the state child abuse  
24 registry established pursuant to section 17a-101k. A fee shall be  
25 charged by the commissioner for each such national fingerprint  
26 criminal history records check which shall be equal to the fee charged  
27 by the Federal Bureau of Investigation for performing such check. The  
28 Department of Social Services shall reimburse the Department of  
29 Public Safety for the actual cost for a national fingerprint criminal  
30 history records check.

31 (b) The Commissioner of Social Services shall have the discretion to  
32 refuse payments for child care under any financial assistance program  
33 administered by him if the person providing such child care has been  
34 convicted in this state or any other state of [a felony, as defined in  
35 section 53a-25, involving the use, attempted use or threatened use of  
36 physical force against another person, of cruelty to persons under  
37 section 53-20,] injury or risk of injury to or impairing morals of  
38 children under section 53-21, abandonment of children under the age  
39 of six years under section 53-23 [or any felony where the victim of the  
40 felony is a child under eighteen years of age,] or of a violation of  
41 section 53a-70, 53a-70a, [53a-70b,] 53a-71 [, 53a-72a,] or 53a-72b<sub>2</sub> [or  
42 53a-73a, or has a criminal record or] subparagraph (A) or (D) of  
43 subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 53a-73a or subdivision (6) of  
44 subsection (a) of section 53a-73a or section 54-251, 54-252, 54-253 or 54-  
45 254, or was the subject of a substantiated report of child abuse in this  
46 state or any other state that the commissioner reasonably believes  
47 renders the person unsuitable to provide child care."