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Senate Bill No. 357

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The Committee on Public Health reported through SEN. HARP of the 10th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the bill ought to pass.

**AN ACT IMPLEMENTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE
LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM REVIEW AND INVESTIGATIONS
COMMITTEE CONCERNING CONSULTATIVE SERVICES TO CHILD
CARE PROVIDERS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 19a-82 of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2002*):

3 The Commissioner of Public Health shall utilize consultative
4 services and assistance from the Departments of Education, Mental
5 Health and Addiction Services and Social Services and from municipal
6 building, fire and health departments. The commissioner shall make
7 periodic inspections of licensed day care centers, [and] group day care
8 homes and family day care homes and shall provide [consultative
9 services] technical assistance to licensees and applicants for licenses to
10 assist them to attain and maintain the standards established in
11 regulations adopted under sections 19a-77 to 19a-80, inclusive, as
12 amended, [and] 19a-82 to 19a-87, inclusive, and section 19a-87b, as

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OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

Passage of this bill will result in no fiscal impact. Requiring the Department of Public Health to provide technical assistance instead of consultative services to child day care providers is consistent with current agency practice, as is requiring technical assistance to family day care homes.

OLR Bill Analysis

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AN ACT IMPLEMENTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM REVIEW AND INVESTIGATIONS COMMITTEE CONCERNING CONSULTATIVE SERVICES TO CHILD CARE PROVIDERS**SUMMARY:**

This bill requires Department of Public Health (DPH) licensing specialists to provide technical assistance, not consultative services, to child day care facilities. And it requires them to provide such assistance to family day care homes in addition to the day care centers and group day care homes they already assist under current law.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2002

BACKGROUND***Related Bill***

sSB 540, reported favorably by the Public Health Committee, requires DPH daycare licensing staff hired after September, 30, 2002 to have a BA degree and at least three years of work experience in child development or early child education.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Program Review and Investigations Committee

Joint Favorable Change of Reference
Yea 9 Nay 0

Public Health Committee

Joint Favorable Report
Yea 24 Nay 0

