



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 5304

LCO No. 1501

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Referred to Committee on Public Health

Introduced by:
(PH)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DROP-IN CHILD-CARE OPERATIONS AT HEALTH CLUBS.

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

1 Section 1. Section 19a-77a of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2010*):

3 (a) Any retail establishment or health club licensed in accordance
4 with the provisions of chapter 420 located in this state may establish a
5 drop-in supplementary child-care operation on the premises of such
6 retail establishment or health club in accordance with the following
7 requirements:

8 (1) The hours of operation may only be between six o'clock a.m. and
9 nine o'clock p.m.

10 (2) No child receiving care shall be less than three years or more
11 than ten years of age.

12 (3) A child may not receive more than two hours of care per day.

13 (4) The operation may immediately notify appropriate law

14 enforcement or state agencies if any child receiving care at such
15 operation is not picked up by a parent or guardian after three hours.

16 (5) A parent or guardian shall be on the premises at the retail
17 establishment or health club at all times while the child is receiving
18 care.

19 (6) The retail establishment or health club shall provide a clean and
20 safe area for the drop-in supplementary child-care operation.

21 (7) At all times the operation shall provide (A) at least one child-care
22 staff person for every ten children, and (B) at least one child-care staff
23 person who is twenty years of age or older who has experience in child
24 care.

25 (8) The operation shall submit the names of all child-care staff to the
26 Commissioner of Public Health, who shall request a check of such
27 names from the state child abuse registry established pursuant to
28 section 17a-101k.

29 (b) Any retail establishment or health club that establishes a drop-in
30 supplementary child-care operation under subsection (a) of this section
31 shall provide the Commissioner of Public Health with written notice of
32 the establishment of such operation. The commissioner may monitor
33 and inspect any such operation and shall investigate any complaint
34 received by the commissioner concerning any such operation.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2010	19a-77a

Statement of Purpose:

To permit licensed health clubs to establish on-site, drop-in supplementary child-care operations.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]