

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0250

Child care facilities-background checks.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) McOmie and Simpson and
Senator(s) Case

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to child care facilities; requiring
2 criminal background checks of prospective child care
3 facility employees as specified; and providing for an
4 effective date.

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6 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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8 **Section 1.** W.S. 7-19-201(a) and 14-4-104 by creating
9 a new subsection (f) are amended to read:

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11 **7-19-201. State or national criminal history record**
12 **information.**

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14 (a) State institution, department of family services
15 or department of health employees who may have access to
16 minors, to persons suffering mental illness or

1 developmental disabilities or to the elderly shall be
2 required to submit to fingerprinting for the purpose of
3 obtaining state or national criminal history record
4 information before employment or transfer to a position
5 where access is acquired. On and after July 1, 1996,
6 applicants for initial certification by the professional
7 teaching standards board and employees initially hired by a
8 school district on or after July 1, 1996, who may have
9 access to minors in the course of their employment shall be
10 required to submit to fingerprinting for the same purposes.
11 For purposes of this article, department of health or
12 department of family services contractors providing
13 specialized home care or respite care to minors shall be
14 considered departmental employees. On and after July 1,
15 2003, all prospective employees of child care facilities
16 certified by the department of family services shall submit
17 an application and fingerprints through the department of
18 family services for the purpose of obtaining state or
19 national criminal history record information before
20 employment at a certified child care facility.

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22 **14-4-104. Certification; application; standards;**
23 **notification to certify or refuse; term.**

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1 (f) Every child care facility certified under this
2 section shall submit the name, fingerprints and other
3 identifying information necessary for the department to
4 conduct a state and national criminal history record
5 information check on each prospective employee of the
6 facility who may have access to children. The department
7 shall notify the facility if a prospective employee has a
8 state or national criminal history record which would
9 warrant the employer to investigate further to ensure
10 compliance with paragraph (b) (i) of this section.

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12 **Section 2.** This act is effective immediately upon
13 completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law
14 as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming
15 Constitution.

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17 (END)