

**ENGROSSED ORIGINAL**

A BILL

20-756

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

---

To amend, on a temporary basis, the Day Care Policy Act of 1979 to permit more than 2 children under 2 years of age in a Child Development Home with a ratio of 1 adult caregiver to 2 children under 2 years of age.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the “Child Development Home License Temporary Amendment Act of 2014”.

Sec. 2. Section 2 of the Day Care Policy Act of 1979, effective September 19, 1979 (D.C. Law 3-16; D.C. Official Code § 4-401), is amended as follows:

(a) A new paragraph (1A) is added to read as follows:

“(1A) The term “Child Development Associate credential” means a credential recognized by the Council for Professional Recognition and accepted by the Office of the State Superintendent of Education to demonstrate competency as a caregiver for young children.”.

(b) Paragraph (3) is amended by striking the phrase “no more than 2 children younger than 2 years of age in the group.” and inserting the phrase “a ratio of one adult caregiver to 2 children if there are 2 or more children younger than 2 years of age in the group, provided that each adult caregiver possesses a post-secondary degree in early childhood education or a related field as determined by the Office of the State Superintendent of Education; a current Child

**ENGROSSED ORIGINAL**

1 Development Associate (“CDA”) credential; is enrolled in a CDA training program; or can  
2 provide evidence of enrollment in a CDA training program that will begin within 6 months of the  
3 first day of the adult caregiver’s work with children at the child development home.” in its place.

4 Sec.3. Fiscal impact statement.

5 The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement of the Chief Financial Officer as the fiscal  
6 impact statement required by section 602(c)(3) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act,  
7 approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(3)).

8 Sec.4. Effective date.

9 (a) This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of a veto  
10 by the Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), a 30-day period of Congressional  
11 review as provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved  
12 December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(1)), and publication in the  
13 District of Columbia Register.

14 (b) This act shall expire after 225 days of its having taken effect.