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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE RULES COMMITTEE BY
REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 560 am S

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 NINTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to day care facilities; and providing
7 for an effective date."

8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

9 * Section 1. AS 44.47.250 is amended to read:

10 Sec. 44.47.250. POWERS AND DUTIES. (a) The department shall

11 (1) implement and administer a program to assist in pro-
12 viding day care for the children of low income families according to
13 the requirements of secs. 250 -- 310 of this chapter;

14 (2) establish standards of eligibility for day care benefits;

15 (3) contract [WITH DAY CARE FACILITIES] for the care of
16 children of eligible families;

17 (4) establish procedures to periodically review the needs
18 of families receiving day care benefits;

19 (5) provide notification to the local government body of
20 the request for a contract with a day care facility.

21 (b) The department may

22 (1) adopt regulations necessary for the performance of its
23 duties under secs. 250 -- 310 of this chapter;

24 (2) contract with municipalities [LOCAL AGENCIES] to perform
25 its duties under secs. 250 -- 310 of this chapter within that munic-
26 ipality; with the approval of the department, the municipality may
27 subcontract with another organization in the community to perform
28 administrative duties;

29 (3) [SOLICIT RECOMMENDATIONS FROM LOCAL GOVERNING BODIES

1 REGARDING LOCAL AGENCIES WHICH MAY PROVIDE CONTRACTUAL SERVICES UNDER
2 THIS SECTION.]

3 (4) contract with day care facilities outside of munici-
4 palities; to provide more effective administration of programs in the
5 unorganized borough, the department may contract with another organi-
6 zation in the community or with an organization serving the region in
7 which the community is located to perform administrative duties.

8 * Sec. 2. AS 44.47.260 is amended to read:

9 Sec. 44.47.260. LOCAL PARTICIPATION. When a contract is made
10 under sec. 250 (b)(2) of this chapter between the department and a
11 municipality [LOCAL AGENCY WITHIN AN INCORPORATED BOROUGH OR CITY OF
12 THE STATE], the municipality [INCORPORATED BOROUGH OR CITY] shall pay
13 the costs of administering the contractual duties within its juris-
14 diction.

15 * Sec. 3. AS 44.47.300 is amended to read:

16 Sec. 44.47.300. [PAYMENT TO] CHILD CARE FACILITIES. (a) Parents
17 or guardians shall select the day care facility for the care of their
18 children. [THE DEPARTMENT WILL CONTRACT WITH THE DAY CARE FACILITY
19 SELECTED BY THE PARENT OR GUARDIAN FOR THE CARE OF THE CHILDREN;]

20 (b) Benefits shall be paid by the department directly to the
21 municipality contracting with the day care facility or, outside of a
22 municipality, to the facility [PROVIDING THE CHILD CARE; PAYMENTS
23 SHALL BE MADE PROMPTLY] upon receipt of a billing from a municipality
24 or facility.

25 * Sec. 4. AS 44.47.310(3) is amended to read:

26 (3) "child" means a person who has not reached the age of
27 7; [UP TO THE MANDATORY SCHOOL AGE.]

28 * Sec. 5. AS 44.47.310 is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

29 (4) "municipality" includes a home rule, general law and

1 unified municipality, as defined in AS 29.

2 * Sec. 6. AS 29.53.415 is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

3 (d) Day care services performed by day care facilities licensed
4 by the Department of Health and Social Services or recognized by the
5 federal government for the care of children are exempt from sales
6 tax levied by a home rule or general law municipality.

7 * Sec. 7. AS 29.13.100 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

8 (37) AS 29.53.415(d) (exemption from sales tax)

9 * Sec. 8. This Act takes effect July 1, 1976.
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