

AMENDMENTS TO LB137

Introduced by Education.

1 1. Insert the following new section:

2 Section 1. Section 71-1914, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
3 amended to read:

4 71-1914 (1) The department shall be the state's coordinating agency
5 for licensure and regulation of programs in this state in order to (a)
6 provide efficient services pursuant to the Child Care Licensing Act, (b)
7 avoid duplication of services, and (c) prevent an unnecessary number of
8 inspections of any program. The department may request cooperation and
9 assistance from local and state agencies and such agencies shall promptly
10 respond. The department shall not be responsible for verifying compliance
11 with subdivision (3)(b) of section 71-1962. The extent of an agency's
12 cooperation may be included in the report to the Legislature pursuant to
13 section 43-3402.

14 (2) A city, village, or county may adopt rules, regulations, or
15 ordinances establishing physical well-being and safety standards for
16 programs whether or not the persons providing such programs are subject
17 to licensure under section 71-1911. Such rules, regulations, or
18 ordinances shall be as stringent as or more stringent than the
19 department's rules and regulations for licensees pursuant to the Child
20 Care Licensing Act. The city, village, or county adopting such rules,
21 regulations, or ordinances and the department shall coordinate the
22 inspection and supervision of licensees to avoid duplication of
23 inspections. A city, village, or county shall report any violation of
24 such rules, regulations, or ordinances to the department. The city,
25 village, or county may administer and enforce such rules, regulations,
26 and ordinances. Enforcement of provisions of the Child Care Licensing Act
27 or rules or regulations adopted and promulgated under the act shall be by

1 the department pursuant to sections 71-1919 to 71-1923.

2 2. On page 2, line 3, strike beginning with "Not" through "the",
3 show as stricken, and insert "The"; in line 5 after "System" insert "and
4 verify compliance with subdivision (3)(b) of this section"; in line 28
5 strike "September 1, 2022" and insert "June 30, 2023"; and after line 31
6 insert the following new subdivision:

7 "(c) Until June 30, 2023, the State Department of Education shall,
8 upon request, make reasonable efforts to assist any child care or early
9 childhood education provider in complying with subdivision (b) of this
10 subsection.".

11 3. Renumber the remaining sections and correct the repealer
12 accordingly.