2516-S

Sponsor(s): House Committee on Children & Family Services (originally sponsored by Representatives Lambert, Cooke, McMorris, Stevens, Johnson, Sherstad, Pennington and Silver)

Brief Description: Concerning the registration of child day-care facilities.

## HB 2516-S - DIGEST

## (AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 2/8/96)

Declares an intent of the legislature to establish a tiered system of day-care services that provides parents improved access to a greater range of acceptable services, at more competitive daycare arrangements, and within a more realistic and flexible regulatory environment. This tiered system recognizes: (1) The licensure of child day-care centers for assuring the maintenance of high day-care standards;

(2) family day-care providers; and

(3) neighbors and friends to provide other options for daycare services to parents and guardians exercising informed choices.

Designates the approved services which the family day-care providers can provide.

Directs DSHS to monitor the providers for child health and safety risks for a report by January 1, 1997.