SENATE BILL No. 349

By Joint Committee on Administrative Rules and Regulations

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9 AN ACT concerning birth centers; amending K.S.A. 65-501, 65-502, 65-10 504, 65-505, 65-506, 65-507, 65-508, 65-512 and 65-513 and K.S.A. 11 2009 Supp. 39-923, 59-2123, 65-525 and 65-67a10 and repealing the 12 existing sections.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 39-923 is hereby amended to read as follows: 39-923. (a) As used in this act:

- (1) "Adult care home" means any nursing facility, nursing facility for mental health, intermediate care facility for the mentally retarded, assisted living facility, residential health care facility, home plus, boarding care home and adult day care facility, all of which classifications of adult care homes are required to be licensed by the secretary of aging.
- (2) "Nursing facility" means any place or facility operating 24 hours a day, seven days a week, caring for six or more individuals not related within the third degree of relationship to the administrator or owner by blood or marriage and who, due to functional impairments, need skilled nursing care to compensate for activities of daily living limitations.
- (3) "Nursing facility for mental health" means any place or facility operating 24 hours a day, seven days a week caring for six or more individuals not related within the third degree of relationship to the administrator or owner by blood or marriage and who, due to functional impairments, need skilled nursing care and special mental health services to compensate for activities of daily living limitations.
- (4) "Intermediate care facility for the mentally retarded" means any place or facility operating 24 hours a day, seven days a week caring for six or more individuals not related within the third degree of relationship to the administrator or owner by blood or marriage and who, due to functional impairments caused by mental retardation or related conditions need services to compensate for activities of daily living limitations.
- (5) "Assisted living facility" means any place or facility caring for six or more individuals not related within the third degree of relationship to the administrator, operator or owner by blood or marriage and who, by choice or due to functional impairments, may need personal care and may need supervised nursing care to compensate for activities of daily

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living limitations and in which the place or facility includes apartments for residents and provides or coordinates a range of services including personal care or supervised nursing care available 24 hours a day, seven days a week for the support of resident independence. The provision of skilled nursing procedures to a resident in an assisted living facility is not prohibited by this act. Generally, the skilled services provided in an assisted living facility shall be provided on an intermittent or limited term basis, or if limited in scope, a regular basis.

- (6) "Residential health care facility" means any place or facility, or a contiguous portion of a place or facility, caring for six or more individuals not related within the third degree of relationship to the administrator, operator or owner by blood or marriage and who, by choice or due to functional impairments, may need personal care and may need supervised nursing care to compensate for activities of daily living limitations and in which the place or facility includes individual living units and provides or coordinates personal care or supervised nursing care available on a 24-hour, seven-day-a-week basis for the support of resident independence. The provision of skilled nursing procedures to a resident in a residential health care facility is not prohibited by this act. Generally, the skilled services provided in a residential health care facility shall be provided on an intermittent or limited term basis, or if limited in scope, a regular basis.
- (7) "Home plus" means any residence or facility caring for not more than eight individuals not related within the third degree of relationship to the operator or owner by blood or marriage unless the resident in need of care is approved for placement by the secretary of the department of social and rehabilitation services, and who, due to functional impairment, needs personal care and may need supervised nursing care to compensate for activities of daily living limitations. The level of care provided residents shall be determined by preparation of the staff and rules and regulations developed by the department on aging. An adult care home may convert a portion of one wing of the facility to a not less than five-bed and not more than eight-bed home plus facility provided that the home plus facility remains separate from the adult care home, and each facility must remain contiguous.
- (8) "Boarding care home" means any place or facility operating 24 hours a day, seven days a week, caring for not more than 10 individuals not related within the third degree of relationship to the operator or owner by blood or marriage and who, due to functional impairment, need supervision of activities of daily living but who are ambulatory and essentially capable of managing their own care and affairs.
- (9) "Adult day care" means any place or facility operating less than 24 hours a day caring for individuals not related within the third degree

of relationship to the operator or owner by blood or marriage and who, due to functional impairment need supervision of or assistance with activities of daily living.

- (10) "Place or facility" means a building or any one or more complete floors of a building, or any one or more complete wings of a building, or any one or more complete wings and one or more complete floors of a building, and the term "place or facility" may include multiple buildings.
- (11) "Skilled nursing care" means services performed by or under the immediate supervision of a registered professional nurse and additional licensed nursing personnel. Skilled nursing includes administration of medications and treatments as prescribed by a licensed physician or dentist; and other nursing functions which require substantial nursing judgment and skill based on the knowledge and application of scientific principles.
- (12) "Supervised nursing care" means services provided by or under the guidance of a licensed nurse with initial direction for nursing procedures and periodic inspection of the actual act of accomplishing the procedures; administration of medications and treatments as prescribed by a licensed physician or dentist and assistance of residents with the performance of activities of daily living.
- (13) "Resident" means all individuals kept, cared for, treated, boarded or otherwise accommodated in any adult care home.
- (14) "Person" means any individual, firm, partnership, corporation, company, association or joint-stock association, and the legal successor thereof.
- (15) "Operate an adult care home" means to own, lease, establish, maintain, conduct the affairs of or manage an adult care home, except that for the purposes of this definition the word "own" and the word "lease" shall not include hospital districts, cities and counties which hold title to an adult care home purchased or constructed through the sale of bonds.
 - (16) "Licensing agency" means the secretary of aging.
 - (17) "Skilled nursing home" means a nursing facility.
 - (18) "Intermediate nursing care home" means a nursing facility.
- (19) "Apartment" means a private unit which includes, but is not limited to, a toilet room with bathing facilities, a kitchen, sleeping, living and storage area and a lockable door.
- (20) "Individual living unit" means a private unit which includes, but is not limited to, a toilet room with bathing facilities, sleeping, living and storage area and a lockable door.
- 41 (21) "Operator" means an individual who operates an assisted living 42 facility or residential health care facility with fewer than 61 residents, a 43 home plus or adult day care facility and has completed a course approved

by the secretary of health and environment on principles of assisted living and has successfully passed an examination approved by the secretary of health and environment on principles of assisted living and such other requirements as may be established by the secretary of health and environment by rules and regulations.

- (22) "Activities of daily living" means those personal, functional activities required by an individual for continued well-being, including but not limited to eating, nutrition, dressing, personal hygiene, mobility, toileting.
- (23) "Personal care" means care provided by staff to assist an individual with, or to perform activities of daily living.
- (24) "Functional impairment" means an individual has experienced a decline in physical, mental and psychosocial well-being and as a result, is unable to compensate for the effects of the decline.
- (25) "Kitchen" means a food preparation area that includes a sink, refrigerator and a microwave oven or stove.
- (26) The term "intermediate personal care home" for purposes of those individuals applying for or receiving veterans' benefits means residential health care facility.
- (27) "Paid nutrition assistant" means an individual who is paid to feed residents of an adult care home, or who is used under an arrangement with another agency or organization, who is trained by a person meeting nurse aide instructor qualifications as prescribed by 42 C.F.R. 483.152, 42 C.F.R. 483.160 and paragraph (h) of 42 C.F.R. 483.35, in effect on October 27, 2003, and who provides such assistance under the supervision of a registered professional or licensed practical nurse.
- (b) The term "adult care home" shall not include institutions operated by federal or state governments, except institutions operated by the Kansas commission on veterans affairs, hospitals or institutions for the treatment and care of psychiatric patients, child care facilities, maternity birth centers, hotels, offices of physicians or hospices which are certified to participate in the medicare program under 42 code of federal regulations, chapter IV, section 418.1 et seq. and amendments thereto and which provide services only to hospice patients.
- (c) Nursing facilities in existence on the effective date of this act changing licensure categories to become residential health care facilities shall be required to provide private bathing facilities in a minimum of 20% of the individual living units.
- (d) Facilities licensed under the adult care home licensure act on the day immediately preceding the effective date of this act shall continue to be licensed facilities until the annual renewal date of such license and may renew such license in the appropriate licensure category under the adult care home licensure act subject to the payment of fees and other

conditions and limitations of such act.

- (e) Nursing facilities with less than 60 beds converting a portion of the facility to residential health care shall have the option of licensing for residential health care for less than six individuals but not less than 10% of the total bed count within a contiguous portion of the facility.
- (f) The licensing agency may by rule and regulation change the name of the different classes of homes when necessary to avoid confusion in terminology and the agency may further amend, substitute, change and in a manner consistent with the definitions established in this section, further define and identify the specific acts and services which shall fall within the respective categories of facilities so long as the above categories for adult care homes are used as guidelines to define and identify the specific acts.
- Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 59-2123 is hereby amended to read as follows: 59-2123. (a) Except as otherwise provided in this section:
- (1) Any person who advertises that such person will adopt, find an adoptive home for a child or otherwise place a child for adoption shall state in such advertisement whether or not such person is licensed and if licensed, under what authority such license is issued and in what profession;
- (2) no person shall offer to adopt, find a home for or otherwise place a child as an inducement to a woman to come to such person's maternity birth center during pregnancy or after delivery; and
- (3) no person shall offer to adopt, find a home for or otherwise place a child as an inducement to any parent, guardian or custodian of a child to place such child in such person's home, institution or establishment.
- (b) The provisions of subsection (a)(1) shall not apply to the department of social and rehabilitation services or to an individual seeking to adopt a child.
 - (c) As used in this section:
- (1) "Advertise" means to communicate by newspaper, radio, television, handbills, placards or other print, broadcast, telephone directory or electronic medium.
- (2) "Person" means an individual, firm, partnership, corporation, joint venture or other association or entity.
- (3) "Maternity center" "Birth center" means the same as provided in K.S.A. 65-502 and amendments thereto.
- (d) Any person who violates the provisions of this section shall be guilty of an unclassified misdemeanor and shall be fined not more than \$1,000 for each violation.
- Sec. 3. K.S.A. 65-501 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-501. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, corporation or association to conduct or maintain a maternity birth center or a child care facility for

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- (a) A residential facility or hospital that is operated and maintained by a state agency as defined in K.S.A. 75-3701 and amendments thereto; or
 - (b) a summer instructional camp that:
- (1) Is operated by a Kansas educational institution as defined in K.S.A. 74-32,120, and amendments thereto, or a postsecondary educational institution as defined in K.S.A. 74-3201b, and amendments thereto;
 - (2) is operated for not more than five weeks;
- (3) provides instruction to children, all of whom are 10 years of age and older; and
- (4) is accredited by an agency or organization acceptable to the secretary of health and environment.
- Sec. 4. K.S.A. 65-502 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-502. "Maternity center" "Birth center" means a facility which provides delivery services for normal, uncomplicated pregnancies but does not include a medical care facility as defined by K.S.A. 65-425 and amendments thereto.
- Sec. 5. K.S.A. 65-504 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-504. (a) The secretary of health and environment shall have the power to grant a license to a person to maintain a maternity birth center or child care facility for children under 16 years of age. The license shall state the name of the licensee, describe the particular premises in or at which the business shall be carried on, whether it shall receive and care for women or children, and the number of women or children that may be treated, maintained, boarded or cared for at any one time. No greater number of women or children than is authorized in the license shall be kept on those premises and the business shall not be carried on in a building or place not designated in the license. The license shall be kept posted in a conspicuous place on the premises where the business is conducted. The secretary of health and environment shall grant no license in any case until careful inspection of the maternity birth center or child care facility shall have been made according to the terms of this act and until such maternity birth center or child care facility has complied with all the requirements of this act. Except as provided by this subsection, no license shall be granted without the approval of the secretary of social and rehabilitation services. The secretary of health and environment may issue, without the approval of the secretary of social and rehabilitation services, a temporary permit to operate for a period not to exceed 90 days upon receipt of an initial application for license. The secretary of health and environment may extend, without the approval of the secretary of social

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and rehabilitation services, the temporary permit to operate for an additional period not to exceed 90 days if an applicant is not in full compliance with the requirements of this act but has made efforts towards full compliance.

- (b) (1) In all cases where the secretary of social and rehabilitation services deems it necessary, an investigation of the maternity birth center or child care facility shall be made under the supervision of the secretary of social and rehabilitation services or other designated qualified agents. For that purpose and for any subsequent investigations they shall have the right of entry and access to the premises of the center or facility and to any information deemed necessary to the completion of the investigation. In all cases where an investigation is made, a report of the investigation of such center or facility shall be filed with the secretary of health and environment.
- (2) In cases where neither approval or disapproval can be given within a period of 30 days following formal request for such a study, the secretary of health and environment may issue a temporary license without fee pending final approval or disapproval of the center or facility.
- (c) Whenever the secretary of health and environment refuses to grant a license to an applicant, the secretary shall issue an order to that effect stating the reasons for such denial and within five days after the issuance of such order shall notify the applicant of the refusal. Upon application not more than 15 days after the date of its issuance a hearing on the order shall be held in accordance with the provisions of the Kansas administrative procedure act.
- (d) When the secretary of health and environment finds upon investigation or is advised by the secretary of social and rehabilitation services that any of the provisions of this act or the provisions of K.S.A. 59-2123 and amendments thereto are being violated, or that the maternity birth center or child care facility is maintained without due regard to the health, comfort or welfare of the residents, the secretary of health and environment, after giving notice and conducting a hearing in accordance with the provisions of the Kansas administrative procedure act, shall issue an order revoking such license. The order shall clearly state the reason for the revocation.
- (e) If the secretary revokes or refuses to renew a license, the licensee who had a license revoked or not renewed shall not be eligible to apply for a license or for a certificate of registration to maintain a family day care home under K.S.A. 65-518 and amendments thereto for a period of one year subsequent to the date such revocation or refusal to renew becomes final.
- (f) Any applicant or licensee aggrieved by a final order of the secretary of health and environment denying or revoking a license under this act

may appeal the order in accordance with the act for judicial review and civil enforcement of agency actions.

- Sec. 6. K.S.A. 65-505 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-505. (a) The annual fee for a license to conduct a maternity birth center or child care facility shall be fixed by the secretary of health and environment by rules and regulations in an amount not exceeding the following:
 - (1) For a maternity birth center, \$75;
 - (2) for a child placement agency, \$75;
 - (3) for a child care resource and referral agency, \$75; and
- (4) for any other child care facility, \$35 plus \$1 times the maximum number of children authorized under the license to be on the premises at any one time.

The license fee shall be paid to the secretary of health and environment when the license is applied for and annually thereafter. The fee shall not be refundable. No fee shall be charged for a license to conduct a home for children which is a family foster home as defined in K.A.R. 28-4-311, and amendments thereto. Fees in effect under this subsection (a) immediately prior to the effective date of this act shall continue in effect on and after the effective date of this act until a different fee is established by the secretary of health and environment by rules and regulations under this subsection.

- (b) Any person who fails to renew the person's license within the time required by rules and regulations of the secretary shall pay to the secretary a late renewal fee of \$10.
- (c) Any licensee applying for an amended license shall pay to the secretary of health and environment a fee established by rules and regulations of the secretary in an amount not exceeding \$35.
- (d) The secretary of health and environment shall remit all moneys received by the secretary from fees under the provisions of this section to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury to the credit of the state general fund.
- Sec. 7. K.S.A. 65-506 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-506. The secretary of health and environment shall serve notice of the issuance, suspension or revocation of a license to conduct a maternity birth center or child care facility or the issuance, suspension or revocation of a certificate of registration for a family day care home to the secretary of social and rehabilitation services, juvenile justice authority, department of education, office of the state fire marshal, county, city-county or multicounty department of health, and to any licensed child placement agency or licensed child care resource and referral agency serving the area where the center or facility is located. A maternity birth center or child care

facility that has had a license suspended, revoked or denied by the secretary of health and environment or a family day care home that has had a certificate of registration suspended, revoked or denied by the secretary of health and environment shall notify in writing the parents or guardians of the enrollees of the suspension, revocation or denial. Neither the secretary of social and rehabilitation services nor any other person shall place or cause to be placed any maternity patient or child under 16 years of age in any maternity birth center or child care facility not licensed by the secretary of health and environment or family day care home not holding a certificate of registration from the secretary of health and environment.

Sec. 8. K.S.A. 65-507 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-507. (a) Each maternity birth center licensee shall keep a record upon forms prescribed and provided by the secretary of health and environment and the secretary of social and rehabilitation services which shall include the name of every patient, together with the patient's place of residence during the year preceding admission to the center and the name and address of the attending physician. Each child care facility licensee shall keep a record upon forms prescribed and provided by the secretary of health and environment which shall include the name and age of each child received and cared for in the facility; the name of the physician who attended any sick children in the facility, together with the names and addresses of the parents or guardians of such children; and such other information as the secretary of health and environment or secretary of social and rehabilitation services may require. Each maternity birth center licensee and each child care facility licensee shall apply to and shall receive without charge from the secretary of health and environment and the secretary of social and rehabilitation services forms for such records as may be required, which forms shall contain a copy of this act.

- (b) Information obtained under this section shall be confidential and shall not be made public in a manner which would identify individuals.
- Sec. 9. K.S.A. 65-508 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-508. (a) Any maternity birth center or child care facility subject to the provisions of this act shall: (1) Be properly heated, plumbed, lighted and ventilated; (2) have plumbing, water and sewerage systems which conform to all applicable state and local laws; and (3) be operated with strict regard to the health, comfort, safety and social welfare of the residents.
- (b) Every maternity birth center or child care facility shall furnish or cause to be furnished for the use of each resident and employee individual towel, wash cloth, comb and individual drinking cup or sanitary bubbling fountain, and toothbrushes for all other than infants, and shall keep or require such articles to be kept at all times in a clean and sanitary condition. Every maternity birth center or child care facility shall comply with all applicable fire codes and rules and regulations of the state fire

marshal.

- (c) (1) The secretary of health and environment with the cooperation of the secretary of social and rehabilitation services shall develop and adopt rules and regulations for the operation and maintenance of maternity birth centers and child care facilities. The rules and regulations for operating and maintaining maternity birth centers and child care facilities shall be designed to promote the health, safety and welfare of the residents who are to be served in such facilities by ensuring safe and adequate physical surroundings, healthful food, supervision and care of the residents by capable, qualified persons of sufficient number, an adequate program of activities and services and such appropriate parental participation as may be feasible under the circumstances. Boarding schools are excluded from requirements regarding the number of qualified persons who must supervise and provide care to residents.
- (2) All rules and regulations for operating and maintaining maternity centers, birth centers and child care facilities in existence on the effective date of this act shall continue to be effective and shall be deemed to be duly adopted rules and regulations of the secretary of health and environment until revised, amended, revoked or nullified pursuant to law.
- (d) Each child cared for in a child care facility, including children of the person maintaining the facility, shall be required to have current such immunizations as the secretary of health and environment considers necessary. The person maintaining a child care facility shall maintain a record of each child's immunizations and shall provide to the secretary of health and environment such information relating thereto, in accordance with rules and regulations of the secretary, but the person maintaining a child care facility shall not have such person's license revoked solely for the failure to have or to maintain the immunization records required by this subsection.
- (e) The immunization requirement of subsection (d) shall not apply if one of the following is obtained:
- (1) Certification from a licensed physician stating that the physical condition of the child is such that immunization would endanger the child's life or health; or
- (2) a written statement signed by a parent or guardian that the parent or guardian is an adherent of a religious denomination whose teachings are opposed to immunizations.
- Sec. 10. K.S.A. 65-512 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-512. It is hereby made the duty of the secretary of health and environment to inspect or cause to be inspected at least once every 12 months every maternity birth center or child care facility, and for that purpose it shall have the right of entry and access thereto in every department and to every place in the premises, shall call for and examine the records which

are required to be kept by the provisions of this act and shall make and preserve a record of every inspection. The licensee shall give all reasonable information to the authorized agent of the secretary of health and environment and shall afford every reasonable facility for viewing the premises and seeing the patients or children therein. No such patient or child without the consent of the patient or child shall be required to be interviewed by any agent unless the agent is an authorized person or a licensed physician.

Sec. 11. K.S.A. 65-513 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-513. Whenever an authorized agent of the secretary of health and environment or secretary of social and rehabilitation services finds a maternity birth center or child care facility is not being conducted according to law, it shall be the duty of such agent to notify the licensee in writing of such changes or alterations as the agent determines necessary in order to comply with the requirements of the law, and the agent shall file a copy of such notice with the secretary of health and environment. It shall thereupon be the duty of the licensee to make such changes or alterations as are contained in the written notice within five days from the receipt of such notice. Notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of the Kansas administrative procedure act.

- Sec. 12. K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 65-525 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-525. (a) Records in the possession of the department of health and environment or its agents regarding child care facilities, maternity birth centers or family day care homes shall not be released publicly in a manner that would identify individuals, unless required by law.
- (b) Records containing the name, address and telephone number of a child care facility, maternity birth center or family day care home in the possession of the department of health and environment or its agents shall not be released publicly unless required by law.
- (c) Records that cannot be released by subsection (a) or (b) may be released to: (1) An agency or organization authorized to receive notice under K.S.A. 65-506, and amendments thereto; (2) a criminal justice agency; (3) any state or federal agency that provides child care services, funding for child care or child protective services; (4) any federal agency for the purposes of compliance with federal funding requirements; (5) any local fire department; (6) any child and adult care food program sponsoring agency; or (7) any local disaster agency.
- (d) Any state or federal agency or any person receiving records under subsection (a) or (b) shall not disseminate the records without the consent of the person whose records will be disseminated unless required by law. Any state or federal agency or any person receiving records under subsection (e) may disseminate the information contained in the records without the consent of the person whose records will be disseminated.

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- (e) The secretary of health and environment may release the name, address and telephone number of a maternity birth center, child care facility or family day care home when the secretary determines that the release of the information is necessary to protect the health, safety or welfare of the public or the patients or children enrolled in the maternity birth center, child care facility or family day care home.
- (f) Any records under subsection (a) or (b) shall be available to any member of the standing committee on appropriations of the house of representatives or the standing committee on ways and means of the senate carrying out such member's or committee's official functions in accordance with K.S.A. 75-4319, and amendments thereto, in a closed or executive meeting. Except in limited conditions established by ½ of the members of such committee, records received by the committee shall not be further disclosed. Unauthorized disclosure may subject such member to discipline or censure from the house of representatives or senate. Such records shall not identify individuals but shall include data and contract information concerning specific facilities.
- (g) In any hearings conducted under the licensing or regulation provisions of K.S.A. 65-501 et seq. and amendments thereto, the presiding officer may close the hearing to the public to prevent public disclosure of matters relating to persons restricted by other laws.
- Sec. 13. K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 65-67a10 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-67a10. Every maternity birth center and medical care facility licensed by the department of health and environment to operate in the state shall adopt written policies and inform parents regarding their options for disposition or taking of fetal remains in an event of a fetal death.
- Sec. 14. K.S.A. 65-501, 65-502, 65-504, 65-505, 65-506, 65-507, 65-508, 65-512 and 65-513 and K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 39-923, 59-2123, 65-525 and 65-67a10 are hereby repealed.
- Sec. 15. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.