

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

HB 4065

Relating to child care

HB 4065 strengthens the Office of Child Care’s oversight and enforcement authority regarding child care providers. Under the bill, child care providers are prohibited from providing care for five years if their certification or registration is denied for cause or revoked. The Office may issue cease and desist orders against the provider, impose conditions on a facility’s license, and develop progressively stronger enforcement actions.

The bill increases the maximum penalties for violations. A facility’s certification or registration may be revoked or denied for failing to pay a civil penalty after the order imposing the penalty becomes final. The Subcommittee amended the bill to redirect the revenue generated from the penalties from the Child Care Fund to the General Fund.

The Education Subcommittee recommends HB 4065 be amended by the –A2 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.