

SENATE BILL NO. 359—SENATORS SPEARMAN, FORD, WOODHOUSE,
KIHUEN, PARKS; ATKINSON, DENIS AND MANENDO

MARCH 16, 2015

Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services

SUMMARY—Requires a child care facility to grant priority in admission to certain children. (BDR 38-1014)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: No.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to child care; requiring a child care facility to admit, before granting admission to any other child, a child who has a parent or guardian who is currently serving on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States or a parent who was killed, went missing or was captured while serving honorably on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

1 Existing law establishes requirements concerning the operation of a child care
2 facility, which is defined as an establishment operated and maintained for the
3 purpose of furnishing care to five or more children for compensation, a facility
4 operated by a place of business to provide care for the children of its employees, a
5 child care institution or an outdoor youth program. (NRS 432A.024, 432A.131-
6 432A.220) This bill requires a child care facility to admit, before granting
7 admission to any other child, a child who has: (1) a parent or guardian who is
8 currently serving on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States; (2) a
9 parent who was killed or died as a direct result of injuries received while serving
10 honorably on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States; or (3) a parent
11 who is currently or was recently missing in action or a prisoner of war. A child care
12 facility that does not give priority in admission to such children would be subject to
13 suspension or revocation of its license. (NRS 432A.190)



THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Chapter 432A of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

Before a child care facility admits a child, the child care facility shall, to the extent authorized by federal law, admit another child if the application submitted for admission of that child includes official documentation from the Federal Government that:

1. A parent or guardian of the child is currently serving on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States;

2. A parent of the child was killed or died as a direct result of injuries received while serving honorably on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States; or

3. A parent of the child was reported as a prisoner of war or missing in action while serving honorably on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States and is currently or has, within 180 days after the date on which the application for admission of the child is submitted, been a prisoner of war or missing in action under such circumstances.

Sec. 2. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2015.

