

SENATE BILL NO. 326—COMMITTEE ON  
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

MARCH 20, 2017

Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services

SUMMARY—Requires a child care facility to grant priority in admission to children of a parent serving or who has served in the Armed Forces of the United States. (BDR 38-558)

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 give priority in admission to children whose parent or guardian serves or has served in the Armed Forces of the United States; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel’s Digest:**

1 Existing law regulates the operation of a child care facility, which is defined as:  
2 (1) an establishment operated and maintained for the purpose of furnishing care to  
3 five or more children for compensation; (2) a facility operated by a place of  
4 business to provide care for the children of its employees; (3) a child care  
5 institution; or (4) an outdoor youth program. (NRS 432A.024, 432A.131-  
6 432A.220) This bill requires a child care facility, before granting admission to any  
7 other child, to grant admission to a child whose: (1) parent or guardian is currently  
8 serving on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States; (2) parent was  
9 killed or died as a direct result of injuries received while serving honorably on  
10 active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States; or (3) parent is currently or  
11 was recently missing in action or a prisoner of war.  
12 Existing law authorizes the Division of Public and Behavioral Health of the  
13 Department of Health and Human Services to impose disciplinary action on a child  
14 care facility that violates any provision of the chapter governing such facilities.  
15 Such discipline may include suspension or revocation of a license. (NRS 432A.190)  
16 Therefore, a child care facility that does not give priority in admission as required  
17 by this bill will be subject to such disciplinary action.



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

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

3       *A child care facility shall, to the extent authorized by federal*  
4 *law, give priority in admission to a child whose application for*  
5 *admission includes official documentation from the Federal*  
6 *Government that his or her:*

7       1. *Parent or guardian is currently serving on active duty in*  
8 *the Armed Forces of the United States;*

9       2. *Parent was killed or died as a direct result of injuries*  
10 *received while serving honorably on active duty in the Armed*  
11 *Forces of the United States; or*

12       3. *Parent was reported as a prisoner of war or missing in*  
13 *action while serving honorably on active duty in the Armed Forces*  
14 *of the United States and is currently or has, within 180 days before*  
15 *the date on which the application for admission of the child is*  
16 *submitted, been a prisoner of war or missing in action under such*  
17 *circumstances.*

18       **Sec. 2.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2017.

