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AN ACT

To repeal section 210.211, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to child care.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 210.211, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 210.211, to read as follows:

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 210.211. 1. It shall be unlawful for any person to establish, maintain or operate a
- 2 child-care facility for children, or to advertise or hold himself or herself out as being able to 3 perform any of the services as defined in section 210.201, without having in effect a written
- 4 license granted by the department of health and senior services; except that nothing in sections
- 5 210.203 to 210.245 shall apply to:
- 6 (1) Any person who is caring for four or fewer children. For purposes of this subdivision, children who are related by blood, marriage or adoption to such person within the third degree shall [not be considered] **be included** in the total number of children being cared
- 9 for:
- 10 (2) Any person who has been duly appointed by a court of competent jurisdiction the guardian of the person of the child or children, or the person who has legal custody of the child or children;
- 13 (3) Any person who receives free of charge, and not as a business, for periods not 14 exceeding ninety consecutive days, as bona fide, occasional and personal guests the child or

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

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children of personal friends of such person, and who receives custody of no other unrelated child or children;

- (4) Any graded boarding school, summer camp, hospital, sanitarium or home which is conducted in good faith primarily to provide education, recreation, medical treatment, or nursing or convalescent care for children;
- (5) Any child-care facility maintained or operated under the exclusive control of a religious organization. When a nonreligious organization, having as its principal purpose the provision of child-care services, enters into an arrangement with a religious organization for the maintenance or operation of a child-care facility, the facility is not under the exclusive control of the religious organization;
- (6) Any residential facility or day program licensed by the department of mental health pursuant to sections 630.705 to 630.760, RSMo, which provides care, treatment and habilitation exclusively to children who have a primary diagnosis of mental disorder, mental illness, mental retardation or developmental disability, as defined in section 630.005, RSMo; and
 - (7) Any nursery school.
- 2. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection 1 of this section, no child-care facility shall be exempt from licensure if such facility receives any state or federal funds for providing care for children, except for federal funds for those programs which meet the requirements for participation in the Child and Adult Care Food Program pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 1766. Grants to parents for child care pursuant to sections 210.201 to 210.257 shall not be construed to be funds received by a person or facility listed in subdivisions (1) and (5) of subsection 1 of this section.

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