HB 2596 -- CHILD CARE FACILITIES

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Currently, up to two children who are five years old or older who are related to the child care provider within the third degree will not be included in the maximum number of children for which the family child care home or group home is licensed. This bill allows for one child of any age who is related within the third degree to the provider, or any assistant of the provider, to be exempted from inclusion in the maximum number of children for which the home is licensed.

The bill also allows a person who operates a licensed child care facility or a licensed group home with only one adult caregiver to care for up to two children under the age of one with the maximum of four children under the age of two. Such children shall be included in the maximum number of children allowed by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education for persons operating a licensed child care facility or group home with only one adult caregiver.