



MISSOURI HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
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WITNESS NAME: <b>AMANDA BELCHER</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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**It is imperative that all St. Louis Summer Camps are regulated. Not just some. Every single one. These are our children. No one should have to worry that their child may not come home. Do the right thing.**



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**There needs to stricter regulations for all summer camps especially when water activities are involved.  
We need to protect our children and feel safe they are in the right hands.**



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**For the safety of all children!!**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>ANNIE KOPP</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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**This bill sounds like a no-brainer in order to ensure the safety of the children in the community.**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>ARNIE C. "HONEST-ABE" DIENOFF-STATE PUBLIC ADVOCAT</b>		PHONE NUMBER:	
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**I am in Full Support of this Bill and its Intension. We MUST Safe-Guard our Youth at all costs and angles. These are basic simple and common-sense Regulations that NEED to go into effect to protect All of the children of our State during Camp Summer Months.**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>BARBARA BUCK</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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**Camps should be regulated for safety.**





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**Mental health support is vital for everyone's safety.**



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**I believe our children are very important and the camps their parents choose should be regulated.**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>CHRISTINE DIETRICH</b>		PHONE NUMBER:	
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**I support this bill to ensure every child is safe when attending summer camp.**



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**Missouri summer camps must be safe for all children!**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>DINA RIGHT</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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**Please for the safety of all Missouri children pass this bill. It's too late for TJ Mister and in his honor please pass this most important bill. I am a mother of 4 and would not choose to send my kids to camps in Missouri now that I am aware of the lack of regulation. There is no cost or hurdle too high to save the life of even one child.**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>DONNA MILLER</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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The safety of our children



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WITNESS NAME: <b>ELEANOR P YANKER</b>		PHONE NUMBER:	
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**Please keep our children safe!**





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WITNESS NAME: <b>ELIZABETH GHIASSI</b>		PHONE NUMBER: <b>314-606-0601</b>	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME: <b>APPLE OF YOUR EYE</b>		TITLE: <b>OWNER</b>	
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CITY: <b>SAINT LOUIS</b>		STATE: <b>MO</b>	ZIP: <b>63123</b>
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My name is Elizabeth Ghiassi, and I am the owner of Apple of Your Eye, a state-licensed child care program encompassing three campuses. I stand before you today in strong support of HB 2595. The necessity of this bill cannot be overstated in ensuring the safety and well-being of our children during their participation in summer camp programs. Since the COVID-19 pandemic, I have witnessed a disturbing decline in the operational standards of various summer camps. These programs, often termed 'pop-up' camps, have increasingly endangered the children they purport to serve due to lax oversight and insufficient safety protocols. Firstly, the supervision ratios at these camps have become alarmingly high, often reaching 30 to 40 children per single adult. This not only impedes the ability to monitor and interact with each child effectively but also significantly increases the risk of accidents and oversight. Moreover, these camps exhibit a total disregard for safety measures that are fundamental in any child-centric environment. I have observed groups of children, aged 5 to 12, navigating and crossing busy streets without any form of adult supervision. This lack of guidance poses a direct threat to their physical safety. The grouping of children of such a wide age range without considering their individual strengths and weaknesses further exacerbates the risk of both emotional and physical harm. During field trips, the absence of intimate knowledge about each child's capabilities by the counselors is a gross negligence of duty. Alarmingly, these summer camps operate without conducting essential record checks, including background checks or family care registry checks on camp leaders. The absence of such vetting processes leaves room for individuals with potentially harmful histories or intentions to interact closely with our children. My own facility has encountered numerous instances where thorough record checks have been instrumental in identifying unsuitable candidates—a practice glaringly absent in these camps. Furthermore, the transportation methods employed to ferry children to field trips often fail to meet the basic standards of safety and suitability, exposing them to unnecessary risks. The disparities in regulatory oversight between professional childcare centers and these pop-up summer camps are stark and unjustifiable. Every child deserves to be in a safe, nurturing environment, irrespective of the setting. Thus, it is imperative that the same rigorous standards applied to childcare centers be extended to all summer camps. In closing, I urge the House of Representatives to consider the dire implications of the current lax regulations on summer camps and support HB 2595. By ensuring that all summer camps adhere to comprehensive safety, supervision, and staffing standards, we affirm our collective commitment to the well-being and protection of our children. Our duty is to provide a safe environment where children can learn, grow, and enjoy their childhood, free from harm. Thank you for considering my testimony on this critical issue. Sincerely, Elizabeth Ghiassi



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WITNESS NAME: <b>ELLEN P STRETCH</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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**As a grandmother, it is my hope that all camps attended by youth will be organized with counselors and directors who have been trained in life saving procedures and have had background checks along with good references**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>ERIN DOYLE</b>		PHONE NUMBER:	
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**More regulations should be put in place in order to keep our children safe during summer camps, especially those camps that involve water sports/activities.**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>GARY KOPP</b>		PHONE NUMBER:	
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To make camps safer for children attended.



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WITNESS NAME: <b>JAIME BRENNAN</b>		PHONE NUMBER:	
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WITNESS NAME: <b>JANE E STILWELL</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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**My precious daughter, my only child, attends summer camp in Missouri, and she deserves to be protected by regulations. I am a single mother, and to lose her to a preventable accident would be devastating, and even life threatening, to me. Please, I urge you, to do the right thing.**



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**Supporting the safety of all children**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>JEANNE M GASKA</b>		PHONE NUMBER:	
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EMAIL: <b>stlgrandma53@gmail.com</b>		ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/6/2024 8:50 AM</b>

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For the safety of children





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WITNESS NAME: <b>JEFF JOHNSON</b>		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
ADDRESS:			
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EMAIL: <b>jsjohnson2009@att.net</b>		ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/6/2024 4:32 AM</b>
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WITNESS NAME: <b>JEFFREA WESTERHOLD</b>		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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CITY:		STATE:	ZIP:
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**Summer camps should fall under the same guidelines as daycares and schools. They are responsible for our kids!**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>JENNIFER</b>		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
ADDRESS:			
CITY:		STATE:	ZIP:
EMAIL: <b>jcwinetherapy@gmail.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>		SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/5/2024 8:02 PM</b>
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**For the safety of children!**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>JENNIFER CROGHAN</b>		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
ADDRESS:			
CITY:		STATE:	ZIP:
EMAIL: <b>jennifercroghan@gmail.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>		SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/5/2024 8:33 PM</b>

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Please protect our children. Regulations are needed for camps, it is essential for child safety.



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WITNESS NAME: <b>JENNIFER LANG</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
ADDRESS:		
CITY:		STATE:      ZIP:
EMAIL: <b>Jenlang68@gmail.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/6/2024 8:26 AM</b>
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**I would like tighter restrictions to keep all children safe at summer camp pools.**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>JENNIFER THOMURE</b>		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
ADDRESS:			
CITY:		STATE:	ZIP:
EMAIL: <b>jenniferbaer@hotmail.com</b>		ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/5/2024 9:19 PM</b>
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WITNESS NAME: <b>JILL GAITHER</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
ADDRESS:		
CITY:		STATE:                  ZIP:
EMAIL: <b>jillgaither@gmail.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/5/2024 9:02 PM</b>
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**I support this because I want kids protected and safe.**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>JOSEPH GASKA</b>		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
ADDRESS:			
CITY:		STATE:	ZIP:
EMAIL: <b>eojh14b@aol.com</b>		ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/5/2024 8:31 PM</b>
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WITNESS NAME: <b>JULIE GUSTAFSON</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
ADDRESS:		
CITY:		STATE:      ZIP:
EMAIL: <b>salts_drawls09@icloud.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/5/2024 9:56 PM</b>

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**For the safety of the children in our state, we need this regulation. I am a registered voter and vote in all elections.**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>JULIE ZOELLER</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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CITY:		STATE:      ZIP:
EMAIL: <b>jbzoeller92@gmail.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/5/2024 8:24 PM</b>
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**This should pass for the safety of all children!!!!**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>KATHERINE E MCCRARY</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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CITY:		STATE:      ZIP:
EMAIL: <b>kstemmler209@msn.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/6/2024 1:44 AM</b>
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**I want this bill to pass for the safety of children.**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>KATHLEEN D SARTORI</b>		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
ADDRESS:			
CITY:		STATE:	ZIP:
EMAIL: <b>kdsartori@gmail.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>		SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/5/2024 8:21 PM</b>
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**This is important. No one should lose their child due to neglect.**



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BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
ADDRESS:			
CITY:		STATE:	ZIP:
EMAIL: <b>kmmcaleenan@gmail.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>		SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/5/2024 8:35 PM</b>
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**A child drowned at age 6 at Kennedy pool at South County Rec while at summer camp when he was knowingly unable to swim, yet was somehow allowed to go to the deep end without proper supervision. As a result summer camps should be held to same standards as qualified day cares.**



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<b>INDIVIDUAL:</b>			
WITNESS NAME: <b>KRISTA BARMANN</b>		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
ADDRESS:			
CITY:		STATE:	ZIP:
EMAIL: <b>kristayanker@yahoo.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>		SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/5/2024 7:18 PM</b>
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Having 2 children myself who have attended the camp where the precious boy lost his life, I was horrified to learn about the lack of regulations on summer camps. Please DO NOT let another child die due to no regulations. Pass this bill!!!! Our kids are worth it.



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WITNESS NAME: <b>LEE CASTILE</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
ADDRESS:		
CITY:		STATE:      ZIP:
EMAIL: <b>lcastile2010@hotmail.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/5/2024 9:03 PM</b>

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**I support this bill to regulate summer camps. They should be held to the same standards as daycare and school to keep children safe.**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>LOIS MICHELLE MCMAHAN</b>		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
ADDRESS:			
CITY:		STATE:	ZIP:
EMAIL: <b>l.michelle.mcmahan@gmail.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>		SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/5/2024 7:45 PM</b>
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**Camps should be a safe place for our children.**





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WITNESS NAME: <b>MACKENZIE HOWERTON</b>		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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CITY:		STATE:	ZIP:
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WITNESS NAME: <b>MARILYN VOLLET</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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CITY:		STATE:      ZIP:
EMAIL: <b>volletmarilyn@gmail.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/6/2024 6:15 AM</b>
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I am in support of this bill for child safety



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WITNESS NAME: <b>MARK BARMANN</b>		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
ADDRESS:			
CITY:		STATE:	ZIP:
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**This is a necessary bill to protect children and prevent unnecessary deaths.**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>MARLENE GEBHARD</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
ADDRESS:		
CITY:		STATE:                  ZIP:
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**Children must be protected!**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>MARY BROWN</b>		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
ADDRESS:			
CITY:		STATE:	ZIP:
EMAIL: <b>maryleitner@hotmail.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/5/2024 9:09 PM</b>	

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My sister knows Olga (TJ's mom) through grief support groups. I am a mother of a 4 and 6 year old (both are still learning to swim). I am also a working mother who relies on camps for my kids during the summer so they can have fun and I can work. They attended several different camps last year that included swim, one was specifically swim instruction. I never considered as I was saying goodbye to them in the morning rush that it may be the last time I might see them. No mom should have that worry. After all, I was sending my kids to swim camp so that learning to swim would keep them safe. That's what parents do right? No mother should have to experience the complete gutting that happens when a child dies. It has forever changed my sister and our entire family. There are way too many dangers to children and so many of them are completely preventable. If there is even a remote chance that you could save one family from the devastation of losing a child and allow a sweet child like TJ to live, I could not possibly begin to comprehend how you could be opposed to that. I sincerely hope progress is made today on summer camp safety as I once again sign my kids up. You can make that happen!  
Mary Brown Attorney at Law



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WITNESS NAME: <b>MAUREEN HANNON</b>		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
ADDRESS:			
CITY:		STATE:	ZIP:
EMAIL: <b>hannon7093@charter.net</b>		ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/5/2024 7:58 PM</b>
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WITNESS NAME: <b>MELISSA CROOK</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
ADDRESS:		
CITY:		STATE:                  ZIP:
EMAIL: <b>melissanmoulton@gmail.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/5/2024 10:49 PM</b>
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I support this bill to help have additional safety measures and checks in place for those we entrust our children to for summer camps.



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WITNESS NAME: <b>MICHAEL RIGHT</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
ADDRESS:		
CITY:		STATE:      ZIP:
EMAIL: <b>mikeright@drawcreative.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/5/2024 8:57 PM</b>

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I had no idea that camps are not regulated in Missouri. Knowing this would prevent me from allowing my children to participate in a summer camp. I have heard that the reason is that it would cost the camps too much money. This is not an excuse. No business that involves the care of children should not be regulated because it would cost them too much. Our children's safety is priceless. This is an excuse. We would not accept it from a daycare why would we at a camp where they are doing more risky events than most day cares. Please do not hesitate or allow any lobbyist group try to convince Missouri that the cost is too high. The loss of TJ due to lack of regulations was the ultimate cost. This has to pass the today!





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WITNESS NAME: <b>MICHELLE CRUTCHER</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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**I support Bill 2595 to support and ensure the safety of all children.**



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EMAIL: <b>paulavernice4@icloud.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/5/2024 9:51 PM</b>

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**A child died. My children lost their cousin ! HOW MANY MORE KIDS ARE GOING TO LOOSE THIER LIFE DUE TO SUMMER CAMPS NOT BEING REGULATED? TJ MISTER WAS SOMEONE TO ME AND THIS FAMILY I WILL NEVER SEE HIM SMILE WHEN HIS COUSINS WALK IN A ROOM HE WILL NEVER GO TO PROM GRADUATION. HE IS GONE. WE NEED MORE LAWS THAT REGULATE THESE SUMMER PROGRAMS FOR**



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**Want to keep our kids safe**



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**I want this bill to pass to keep all kids safe.**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>RENI GASKA</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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**Children in Missouri Summer Camps need to be protected. Please pass this bill. Thank you!**



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**I don't want another child to die in summer camp because we don't have the right regulations.**





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WITNESS NAME: <b>SALLY DESU</b>		PHONE NUMBER:	
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**This bill will help in the safety of all children. It must pass in order to keeping our precious children Safe. Do the RIGHT THINK.**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>SANDY DILLON</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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**The safety of our children is imperative so other children do not die due to neglect. Please pass this bill.**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>SIDNI WEGLARZ</b>		PHONE NUMBER:	
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**All children should be protected during the summer with the same care and intention during the school year.**



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**I want this bill passed for the safety of our children.**



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**As a mother and a teacher I feel it's important to have regulations and standards to governor summer camps. In no other circumstances does the state allow the care of large groups of children with zero oversight. This has deadly consequences. At minimum every person employed by a summer camp should pass a back ground check, cpr certification, and a maximum child to staff ratio based on age sound be enforced just as it is with any typical daycare. Thank you**



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I support the safety of all children.



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WITNESS NAME: <b>TERESA LEOS</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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EMAIL: <b>teresaleos@hotmail.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/5/2024 7:34 PM</b>
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**I want this to pass for the safety of all children**





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WITNESS NAME: <b>THOMAS E GASKA</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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**This bill ensures child safety**



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EMAIL: <b>tim@labortribune.com</b>		ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/5/2024 8:18 PM</b>

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**Summer camps should be safe havens for children to grow and learn. As such the should adhere to the same safety requirements as schools and daycares.**



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EMAIL: <b>tonyakmuskopf@yahoo.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>		SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/5/2024 7:48 PM</b>

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**When I found out camps weren't regulated I was in disbelief. Our precious children should always be protected at all cost! Please pass this bill'**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>CHRISTOPHER COTTEN</b>		PHONE NUMBER: <b>816-513-7501</b>	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME: <b>KANSAS CITY PARKS AND RECREATION</b>		TITLE: <b>DIRECTOR</b>	
ADDRESS: <b>4600 E. 63RD ST.</b>			
CITY: <b>KANSAS CITY</b>		STATE: <b>MO</b>	ZIP: <b>64130</b>
EMAIL: <b>christopher.cotten@kcmo.org</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/5/2024 4:48 PM</b>	

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I am writing to you today on behalf of the Kansas City Parks and Recreation Department in order to express our opposition to HB 2595. As a municipal Parks and Recreation Department, we have never fallen under the authority of DESE for our recreational programming. Their authorization in RSMO 210 never specifically prescribes their authority over a municipal department, as we are not included in their definitions; however, per RSMO 67.755, we as a municipal department have the right and authority to "...provide, establish, equip, develop, operate, maintain, and conduct a system of public recreation, including parks and other recreational grounds...and any and all other recreational areas, facilities, and activities...".No new legislative update has come to pass that would enforce DESE oversight onto our activities, nor should it, as it would drastically reduce our ability to provide effective, efficient, and accessible opportunities and services to our citizens. DESE's requirements are geared for private industries that operate solely as child care facilities. Their requirements do not align with our organization and facilities, as our youth recreational programming is just one part of a larger parks and recreation system. Licensing requirements would force us to demand medical examination reports and immunization records for any participant. This would force us to turn away residents who do not have current access to these records and cannot afford to take the time to navigate the system required to obtain such records. It would also require that at each facility we hire at least one new staff member who meets DESE's requirements for a director. We do not have the staff nor the budget to accommodate such a requirement. In 2023 we did an extensive comprehensive plan for the Parks and Recreation Department. Youth recreational programming was listed by our citizens as a priority need for the city. As a municipal department, it is our duty to make our services available to all citizens and to avoid unnecessary barriers to our recreational activities.



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WITNESS NAME: <b>DANA M. YOUNG</b>		PHONE NUMBER:	
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CITY:		STATE:	ZIP:
EMAIL: <b>tydyd89@gmail.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>		SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/6/2024 9:42 AM</b>

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**The effects of this bill will create undue hardship for church camps which are not to be ruled by state government. Please exempt summer camps which are run by religious organizations.**



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<b>REGISTERED LOBBYIST:</b>			
WITNESS NAME: <b>GARY GATES</b>		PHONE NUMBER: <b>573-636-3828</b>	
REPRESENTING: <b>MISSOURI PARK AND RECREATION ASSOCIATION</b>		TITLE: <b>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR</b>	
ADDRESS: <b>2018 WILLIAM ST.</b>			
CITY: <b>JEFFERSON CITY</b>		STATE: <b>MO</b>	ZIP: <b>65109</b>
EMAIL: <b>gary@mopark.org</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/5/2024 5:39 PM</b>	

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On behalf of the 245 agencies and 3500+ members of the Missouri Park and Recreation Association, I wish to testify in opposition of HB 2595. The proposed changes and requirement of licensure of summer camps would greatly reduce the availability of dependable and affordable child care for working Missourians. This would remove any level of local control from the elected/appointed officials in each community across the state. The requirement of licensure and ability of the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education to promulgate the rules, we fear, would result in overreach from the state level which already is skewed to favor educational facilities over community organizations. For example, a before/after school program offered by a school district, regardless of location of service, is exempt from licensure while a community organization providing the same services in a community recreation center are required to meet impossible facility standards set forth by DESE. These standards would not be met by the school districts but, by virtue of being a school district, are exempt. We fear this bill would open summer camps up to the same unlevel playing field tilted in the favor of school districts under the prevue of DESE. Speaking for parks and recreation programs, the rules and regulations for summer camps are approved and enforced at a local level by elected or appointed governing bodies. These rules are tailored to fit the community they serve and is not a one size fits all unfunded mandate from the state down. Missouri is very diverse and what is needed/works in one area of the state would be considered a barrier in another. Missouri Park and Recreation Association is working with our members and other camp organizations to create a baseline set of standards and enhancements communities can pledge to or adopt through their park board. This option would allow community leaders to recognize what levels of service are need to ensure their programs are operated at a safe and enjoyable level while still having the flexibility to maintain local control.



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WITNESS NAME: <b>KYNA IMAN</b>		PHONE NUMBER: <b>314-651-1185</b>	
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**I OPPOSE HB 2595 as introduced. I oppose section 7 on lines 52 and 53 on page 5 (The department of elementary and secondary education may promulgate all necessary rules and regulations for the administration of this section.)I don't trust DESE. Don't give DESE a "blank check" when it comes to promulgating rules and regulations.**



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I appreciate this opportunity to express my opposition to HB2595. First of all, the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education does not need to be meddling with summer camps. DESE was created to advise schools but has since grown to where they now control schools. This piece of legislation would allow DESE to also control camps. So it is outside the purview of what DESE needs to be doing. If DESE is granted the authority to make rules such as this for summer camps, it opens the door for them to make additional rules in the future. They could possibly make rules for camps that would include the number of hours kids could be doing certain activities, or even whether certain activities could be conducted according to the weather. DESE also currently has certain requirements for immunizations before a child can attend school. But many camps have homeschool students participating who have not had all required immunizations for religious or other reasons. If DESE is going to be given authority to license camps then they may institute rules regarding immunization of the campers that would be a violation of their religious rights. DESE currently sets curriculum standards for elementary schools - and those curriculum standards exclude the teaching of creation and intelligent design. Many camps - especially those operated by religious groups - hold to Creationist views. If DESE is granted the authority to license camps it is inevitable over time that they will also seek to include "standards" regarding the things taught at camp, which would be a very clear violation of religious liberty. While everyone (at least everyone I know) would want camps to be operated in a safe manner, and the children to be well cared for it just is not the place for DESE to be given oversight. No one has a problem meeting fire codes, or food safety and sanitation codes, etc....but giving authority to license camps to DESE is just unacceptable.



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My name is Tracey Whitaker, and I have been working with summer camps since the summer of 1998. I started as a camp counselor at the age of 16, which then eventually grew into a profession and passion for me. I have been overseeing/running day camps in a supervisory role since 2004, and have provided thousands of children a safe place to stay during the day while their parents were at work. I personally feel that summer camps absolutely need some type of oversight and regulations. With that being said, I cannot support this current bill for the following reasons: 1. This bill would reduce local control and takes the power away from local government to regulate according to their communities needs. 2. Delegating authority to DESE to enforce and handle all licensure rules is the wrong department to handle this. DESE already has a bias towards education over community agencies when it comes to regulation. This would create an uneven playing field, and would be outside their scope of expertise as a majority of summer camps operate outside as opposed to indoors for childcare and school facilities. Those also operate 9-12 months out of the year and summer camps only operate 2-3 months while school is out of session. 3. Has the potential to reduce the availability of affordable and safe summer care options outside of school hours for working Missourians if licensing was under DESE, as the amount of summer camps in Missouri would far surpass their capability of having the time and manpower to address summer camp licensing. Not enough manpower to license thousands upon thousands of camps statewide would all but ensure some camps would not have the opportunity to open (at no fault of their own) leaving Missouri parents without a place to send their children during the summer months. 4. MPRA and other camp minded agencies/professionals are working to create a baseline level of requirements to offer successful and safe day camps. Our association is also working to create a list of enhanced guidelines that go above and beyond the baseline if communities are willing/able to enforce. This allows local park boards the ability to regulate their programs to the needs and capacity of their unique communities. I would also like to offer the following suggestions that need to be considered for camp safety regulations in the state of Missouri.- Require a minimum of 50% camp staff certification in CPR/First Aid/AED. I personally require 100% of my camp staff to complete this certification.- Require Mandated Reporting certification for a minimum of Camp Supervisors/Directors and up to all camp staff. This is a FREE certification through [www.protectmokids.com](http://www.protectmokids.com) for child abuse and neglect.- If a camp is located more than \_\_\_\_\_ feet/yards from a facility with an AED machine, require an AED machine that can travel with the camp director/supervisor that can be accessed immediately if needed.- Require a standard number of hours required for the training of camp staff. 10-12 hours is a good minimum.- All camps must have a first aid kit on hand and available at base camp and all staff shall carry a smaller personal kit to have on hand when away from base camp.- Camps must provide a copy of their Emergency Communication Action Plan- Camp must provide a Medication policy procedures.- Camp must provide process of on accident/injury reporting and maintaining records.- Indoor shelter requirements.- Must provide transportation and field trip policies.- Staff-

camper ratio- I suggest summer camps operate off a 1:12 staff to camper ratio. Currently the state standard is 1:16, which may be fine for teachers and childcare instructors operating indoors, however summer camps are mostly operated outside, making it is easier for kids to slip away, etc. I personally operate my camps on a 1:10 ratio.- Camps must enforce a swim test for all campers to ensure the supervision of each child's swimming ability if they offer swimming as a camp activity.- Camps should include a water safety training course specifically geared towards camp counselors to ensure campers safety.- Camps should offer life-vests or the option of using a life-vest for campers who are not strong swimmers. Aquatic centers and pools are not currently state regulated. This needs to be addressed in addition to summer camps and both can be accomplished simultaneously. It is also extremely concerning that religious camps would be exempt from this bill. What is the point of passing legislation to regulate summer camps and keep kids/campers safer if religious camps would be allowed exemption? That is not keeping all kids safe. Legislators and camp professionals are on the same page, and professionals like myself know the importance of passing regulations for camps, and we are extremely eager to offer our assistance and knowledge to achieve the outcome that we are all looking for. But this needs to be well thought out with the assistance of those of us who are the most knowledgeable and already operate our camps following all the guidelines I have recommended above. This bill is a good start to address the need for regulations, but designating DESE as the enforcing authority is not the correct department to place camp safety regulations under. I would recommend looking into Health and Senior Services as an option for this. The bill (more specifically an all new bill) would need significantly more safety measures included in order to ensure the safety of summer campers. I thank you for reading my testimony and hope that you take my suggestions into considerations. I am 100% behind safety regulations for summer camps, but it needs to be handled the right way utilizing the right departments to enforce them. Please consider working with camp professionals across the state and utilize our extensive knowledge, so that Missouri can achieve the intended outcome in which we are all looking for- the safety of Missouri children.



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**Our summer camp is supported by Baptist churches which are exempt from regulation by state government. Requiring us to receive a license from DESE would infringe upon our right to operate free from government oversight. Please exempt religious summer camps from HB 2595.**



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I am writing to inform our representatives of my opposition to HB 2595. My understanding of the bill would be that it would give the Department of Education purview over Religious Camps. They would have the right to enforce rules and I would assume fines or withhold licenses. If this bill were to be passed, the State of Missouri would be in effect imposing a tax upon Religious camps which is in effect imposing a tax on churches who own and support said camps. I direct a camp in central Missouri and my understanding of the bill would place a huge hardship not only on the camp itself but also on the churches who own and support the camp. Churches have sacrificially given and worked to provide camp grounds and programs for area youth and children. As part of this commitment we have constantly worked to assure the safety of anyone who attends our camps. We are diligent to provide all necessary equipment and facilities. We also make sure that all workers are trained and have background checks. All this to say we work very hard to protect children and youth who attend. We do not need a government agency to impose further hardship on our camps. This hardship would also keep students from receiving the benefit of a camp experience because of having to raise fees due to the State's imposed "tax" and regulations. Please do not allow this bill to pass out of committee. Certainly do not allow it to be passed.



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