

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Under current law, family child care providers in Texas that are certified by the military must also be licensed or registered by the state, even when only caring for eligible U.S. Department of Defense (DOD) affiliated children. The state can improve access to family child care for military families by recognizing military family child care certification by the DOD, in lieu of state licensing.

H.B. 4529 seeks to remove the necessity of state licensing for certain DOD-certified child care facilities and providers.

H.B. 4529 amends current law relating to the regulation of child-care facilities that maintain a certificate to operate issued by the United States Department of Defense.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 42.041(b), Human Resources Code, as follows:

(b) Provides that Section 42.041 (Required License) does not apply to certain entities, including a child-care facility located on a federal military base or other federal property that maintains a certificate to operate issued by the United States Department of Defense or a military family child-care provider that maintains a certificate to operate issued by the United States Department of Defense. Makes nonsubstantive changes.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2025.