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HOUSE BILL 1102

Short Title: Neighbor Child Care Law.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Brawley; and Morris.

Referred to: Human Resources.

April 21, 1997

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

**AN ACT TO PROVIDE AN EXEMPTION FROM ALL CHILD DAY CARE HOME
REGULATION FOR NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS WITH CHILD CARE.**

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 110-86(4) reads as rewritten:

"(4) Child day care home. Any day care program or child care arrangement wherein any person not excluded in G.S. 110-86(2) provides day care on a regular basis of at least once per week for more than four hours per day for more than two children under 13 years of age, but not to exceed a maximum of eight children at any one time, wherever operated, and whether or not operated for profit. Of the children present at any one time, no more than five children shall be preschool-aged, as defined in rules adopted by the Commission. The four hour limit applies regardless of the time of day and regardless of whether the same or different children attend. Cooperative arrangements among parents to provide care for their own children as a convenience rather than for employment are not included.

To determine whether a child care arrangement is a child day care home, all children shall be counted except the operator's own school-

1 aged children and school-aged children who reside at the location of the
2 day care home.

3 Notwithstanding the above, no State registration or regulation is
4 required of neighbors who keep four or fewer children in their homes,
5 not including their own children, if the people whose children they are
6 keeping approve of the method used for the care of their children, and if
7 the neighbors keeping the children do not apply for or receive any State
8 assistance to enable them to maintain their child caring.”

9 Section 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.