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TITLE 470 DIVISION OF FAMILY AND CHILDREN

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DIGEST

Adds 470 IAC 3-4.8 for the emergency or temporary closure of child care centers and child care homes and establishes a list of violations as required by IC 12-17.2-4-18.7 and IC 12-17.2-5-18.7 that would impose an immediate threat to the life and well-being of a child in the care of a child care licensee and procedures that will be used to invoke an emergency or temporary closure of a child care center or child care home. Effective 30 days after filing with the secretary of state.

470 IAC 3-4.8

SECTION 1, 470 IAC 3-4.8 IS ADDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

Rule 4.8. Emergency or Temporary Closure of Child Care Centers and Child Care Homes

470 IAC 3-4.8-1 List of conditions

Authority: IC 12-13-5-3; IC 12-17.2-4-18.7; IC 12-17.2-5-18.7

Affected: IC 4-21.5-4; IC 12-17.2-4; IC 12-17.2-5

Sec. 1. (a) The following are the list of conditions that pose immediate threat to the life or well-being of a child in the care of a child care provider that may subject a child care center or child care home to emergency or temporary closure order:

- (1) Building damage due to:
 - (A) earthquake;
 - (B) flooding or water damage;
 - (C) tornado;
 - (D) severe wind;
 - (E) ice storm;
 - (F) fire;
 - (G) lead contamination; or
 - (H) asbestos.
- (2) Sewage problems as follows:
 - (A) Sewage backup.
 - (B) Toilets cannot be flushed or are overflowing.
 - (C) Sewage system is not operating properly.
- (3) Inadequate or unsafe water supply as follows:
 - (A) Contaminated water supply.
 - (B) Water supply not functioning.
- (4) No electricity in the building.
- (5) Heating system problems.
- (6) Gas, carbon monoxide, or other noxious gases leak.
- (7) Filthy conditions.
- (8) Rodent, roach, or vermin infestation.
- (9) Building renovation occurring in a room or area occupied by children.
- (10) Lack of supervision, which results in the death or serious injury of a child.
- (b) If an employee or agent of the division determines that a violation in subsection (a) exists, the division shall:
- (1) issue an emergency or another temporary order under IC 4-21.5-4 requiring the licensee to immediately cease operations of the child care center or home; and

- (2) contact the parent or guardian of each child enrolled in the child care center or child care home to inform the parent or guardian:
 - (A) that the division has issued an order to require the licensee to cease operations of the child care center or child care home; and
 - (B) the reason for the order to cease operation.

(Division of Family and Children; 470 IAC 3-4.8-1; filed Aug 11, 2004, 11:05 a.m.: 28 IR 196)

470 IAC 3-4.8-2 Administrative hearing

Authority: IC 12-13-5-3; IC 12-17.2-4-18.7; IC 12-17.2-5-18.7

Affected: IC 12-17.2-4-20; IC 12-17.2-5

Sec. 2. If the division issues an order to cease operation, an administrative hearing concerning the decision shall be held under IC 12-17.2-4-20. (Division of Family and Children; 470 IAC 3-4.8-2; filed Aug 11, 2004, 11:05 a.m.: 28 IR 197)

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