SENATE BILL No. 990

December 1, 2009, Introduced by Senator JACOBS and referred to the Committee on Economic Development and Regulatory Reform.

A bill to amend 1973 PA 116, entitled

"An act to provide for the protection of children through the licensing and regulation of child care organizations; to provide for the establishment of standards of care for child care organizations; to prescribe powers and duties of certain departments of this state and adoption facilitators; to provide penalties; and to repeal acts and parts of acts,"

(MCL 722.111 to 722.128) by adding section 9b.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 SEC. 9B. (1) MINIMUM LICENSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER THIS ACT
- 2 SHALL INCLUDE A PROHIBITION ON THE USE OF WINDOW BLINDS OR OTHER
- 3 WINDOW COVERINGS WITH PULL CORDS OR INNER CORDS CAPABLE OF FORMING
- 4 A LOOP AND POSING A RISK OF STRANGULATION TO A YOUNG CHILD. WINDOW
- 5 BLINDS AND OTHER COVERINGS THAT HAVE BEEN MANUFACTURED OR PROPERLY
- 6 RETROFITTED IN A MANNER THAT ELIMINATES THE FORMATION OF LOOPS
- 7 POSING A RISK OF STRANGULATION ARE NOT PROHIBITED UNDER THIS

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- 1 SECTION.
- 2 (2) WHEN DEVELOPING AND PERIODICALLY REVIEWING MINIMUM
- 3 LICENSING REQUIREMENTS RELATED TO SAFETY OF THE PREMISES, THE
- 4 DIRECTOR SHALL CONSULT AND GIVE SERIOUS CONSIDERATION TO
- 5 PUBLICATIONS OF THE UNITED STATES CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY
- 6 COMMISSION.
- 7 (3) THE DEPARTMENT MAY PROVIDE INFORMATION AS AVAILABLE
- 8 REGARDING REDUCED COST OR NO-COST OPTIONS FOR RETROFITTING OR
- 9 REPLACING UNSAFE WINDOW BLINDS AND WINDOW COVERINGS.