

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1554

By: Representative Harris

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING A CHILD CARE FACILITY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING A CHILD CARE FACILITY.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 20, Chapter 78, Subchapter 1, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

20-78-108. Child care facility – Fire suppression system.

(a) As used in this section:

(1) "Commercial cooking equipment" means a commercial stove, commercial fryer, or a commercial oven;

(2) "Commercial fryer" means a fryer that can hold over twenty pounds (20 lbs.) of food;

(3)(A) "Commercial oven" means an oven with:

(i) A shelf that is twelve inches by twenty inches (12" x 20") or greater; or

(ii) More than five (5) shelves.

(B) "Commercial oven" includes without limitation a convection oven and a baking oven;

(4) "Commercial stove" means a stove with more than four (4) burners;

(5) "Day care facility" means a facility that:

(A) Provides supervision and personal care on less than a



twenty-four-hour basis for children; and

(B) Is licensed by the Department of Human Services or has made an application for a license to operate a facility under § 20-78-201 et seq.; and

(6) "Fire suppression system" means a machine installed in a structure that is designed to use a combination of chemicals, water, and other agents to extinguish a fire.

(b) A day care facility is not required to install a fire suppression system or a sprinkler system if the day care facility does not have commercial cooking equipment.