

1.1 moves to amend H.F. No. 2817 as follows:

1.2 Delete everything and insert:

1.3 "Section 1. **DIRECTION TO COMMISSIONER OF HUMAN SERVICES;**
1.4 **TEMPORARY CHANGES TO CHILD CARE STAFFING AND GROUP SIZE**
1.5 **RULES.**

1.6 Subdivision 1. Temporary changes to staffing and group size rules. (a) The
1.7 commissioner of human services must require licensed child care centers to have the
1.8 following staff persons on site at all times when one or more children are in a center's care:

1.9 (1) a teacher-qualified staff person, except as allowed under Minnesota Rules, part
1.10 9503.0040, subpart 2, item B; and

1.11 (2) a staff person who is responsible for overseeing the operation of the daily activities
1.12 of the program, ensuring the health and safety of the children, and supervising staff. The
1.13 staff person is not required to meet the qualifications of a director.

1.14 (b) Notwithstanding Minnesota Rules, part 9503.0040, subpart 2, item D, the
1.15 commissioner must require that the first staff member a licensed child care center includes
1.16 to meet the staff-to-child ratio has at least the qualifications of an aide and is at least 18
1.17 years old.

1.18 (c) Notwithstanding Minnesota Rules, part 9503.0040, subpart 3, item B, the
1.19 commissioner must allow a licensed child care center to mix children, excluding infants, in
1.20 different age categories during the center's regular hours of operation if:

1.21 (1) the staff-to-child ratio, group size, and staff distribution applied are for the age
1.22 category of the youngest child present; and

2.1 (2) the group is divided when the number of children present reaches the maximum
2.2 group size of the youngest child present.

2.3 (d) The modifications in this subdivision are in effect until June 30, 2023.

2.4 Subd. 2. **Required report.** By June 30, 2023, the commissioner of human services must
2.5 submit a report to the legislative committees with jurisdiction over early childhood programs
2.6 and child care licensing that describes any effects the changes required under subdivision
2.7 1 have on the safety of children receiving care in licensed child care centers."

2.8 Amend the title accordingly