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| 1  | AN ACT relating to minimum staff-to-child ratios for family child-care homes.       |
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| 2  | Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:              |
| 3  | →SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS 199.892 TO 199.896 IS CREATED                      |
| 4  | TO READ AS FOLLOWS:   |
| 5  | (1) The cabinet shall permit family child-care homes as defined in KRS 199.894, to  |
| 6  | maintain children together in defined areas unique to the group as follows:         |
| 7  | (a) Birth to twenty-four (24) months of age; and                                    |
| 8  | (b) Twelve (12) to thirty-six (36) months of age.                                   |
| 9  | (2) The cabinet shall promulgate administrative regulations to set the minimum      |
| 10 | staff-to-child ratios as follows:   |
| 11 | (a) For groups of children birth to twenty-four (24) months of age, the staff-to-   |
| 12 | child ratios shall be:  |
| 13 | 1. One (1) staff for every five (5) children if the youngest child in the           |
| 14 | group is younger than twelve (12) months of age; and                                |
| 15 | 2. One (1) staff for every six (6) children if the youngest child in the            |
| 16 | group is twelve (12) months or older; and   |
| 17 | (b) For groups of children twelve (12) to thirty-six (36) months of age, the staff- |
| 18 | to-child ratio shall be:  |
| 19 | 1. One (1) staff for every six (6) children if the youngest child in the            |
| 20 | group is younger than twenty-four (24) months of age; and                           |
| 21 | 2. One (1) staff for every ten (10) children if the youngest child in the           |
| 22 | group is twenty-four (24) months of age or older.                                   |