

The Senate Committee on Special Judiciary offered the following substitute to HB 250:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Article 5 of Chapter 5 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to records checks for persons supervising children, so as to provide that a satisfactory fingerprint records check determination within the previous 12 months by the Department of Early Care and Learning may be used in lieu of background screening or fingerprint checks required for purposes of providing care to children in the custody of the Department of Human Services; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

Article 5 of Chapter 5 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to records checks for persons supervising children, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"49-5-115.

In lieu of any background screening or fingerprint check required pursuant to any state law or any department regulation for an individual who provides short-term care for a child in the custody of the department, the department is authorized to accept a letter issued within the previous 12 months by the Department of Early Care and Learning stating that such individual has received a satisfactory determination by the Department of Early Care and Learning in accordance with Article 2 of Chapter 1A of Title 20."

SECTION 2.

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

SECTION 3.

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.