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106TH CONGRESS 2D Session

[Report No. 106-869, Part I]

To amend the Public Buildings Act of 1959 concerning the safety and security of children enrolled in childcare facilities located in public buildings under the control of the General Services Administration.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 23, 2000

Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on Government Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

SEPTEMBER 19, 2000

Reported from the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

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The Committee on Government Reform discharged; committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed

A BILL

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1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE. 3 4 This Act may be cited as "Baylee's Law". 5 SECURITY OF SEC. 2. SAFETY AND CHILDREN IN 6 CHILDCARE FACILITIES. 7 The Public Buildings Act of 1959 (40 U.S.C. 601 8 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following: 9 "SEC. 22. SAFETY AND SECURITY OF CHILDREN IN 10 CHILDCARE FACILITIES. "(a) WRITTEN NOTICE TO PARENTS OR GUARD-11 12 IANS.— 13 "(1) INITIAL NOTIFICATION.—Before the enroll-14 ment of any child in a childcare facility located in 15 a public building under the control of the Adminis-16 trator, the Administrator shall provide to the par-17 ents or guardians of the child a written notification 18 containing-19 "(A) an identification of the current ten-20 ants in the public building; and 21 "(B) the designation of the level of secu-22 rity of the public building. "(2) NOTIFICATION OF NEW TENANTS.—After 23 24 providing a written notification to the parents or •HR 4519 RH

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1 guardians of a child under paragraph (1), the Ad-2 ministrator shall provide to the parents or guardians 3 a written notification if any new Federal tenant is 4 scheduled to take occupancy in the public building. 5 "(b) NOTIFICATION OF SERIOUS THREATS TO SAFE-TY OR SECURITY.—As soon as practicable after being in-6 7 formed of a serious threat, as determined by the Adminis-8 trator, that could affect the safety and security of children 9 enrolled in a childcare facility in a public building under 10 the control of the Administrator, the Administrator shall provide notice of the threat to the parents or guardians 11 12 of each child in the facility.

13 "(c) Report to Congress.—

"(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after
the date of enactment of this section, the Administrator shall transmit to Congress a comprehensive
report on childcare facilities in public buildings
under the control of the Administrator.

19 "(2) CONTENTS.—The report to be transmitted
20 under paragraph (1) shall include—

21 "(A) an identification and description of
22 each childcare facility located in a public build23 ing under the control of the Administrator; and
24 "(B) an assessment of the level of safety
25 and security of children enrolled in the

1	childcare facility and recommendations on
2	methods for enhancing that safety and security.
3	"(3) WINDOWS AND INTERIOR FURNISHINGS.—
4	In conducting an assessment of a childcare facility
5	under paragraph (2)(B), the Administrator shall ex-
6	amine the windows and interior furnishings of the
7	facility to determine whether adequate protective
8	measures have been implemented to protect children
9	in the facility against the dangers associated with
10	windows and interior furnishings in the event of a
11	natural disaster or terrorist attack, including the
12	deadly effect of flying glass.".

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