

House Bill 250 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

By: Representatives Ballinger of the 23rd, Abrams of the 89th, Dollar of the 45th, Rogers of the 10th, Efstrotation of the 104th, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

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

8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

9 SECTION 1.

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

13 "49-5-115.

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

20 SECTION 2.

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

23 SECTION 3.

24 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.