

NOTICE OF RULE ADOPTION – FINAL RULE

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI  
MS State Department of Health

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Specific Legal Authority Authorizing the promulgation  
of Rule: §43-20-8(1)(a)

Reference to Rules repealed, amended or suspended by  
the Final Rule:

Regulations Governing Licensure of Child Care Facilities  
for 12 or Fewer Children in the Operator's Home

Date Rule Proposed: 9 June 2006  
Date Rule Adopted: 12 July 2006

Explanation of the Purpose of the Proposed Rule and the reason(s) for proposing the rule: The first amendment adds another exemption from the requirements for licensure and clarifies the process to request an exemption. The second amendment adds the requirement to allow breast-feeding in child care facilities and related matters. Both amendments are mandated by changes in the licensing law passed during the 2006 Legislative Session.

The Agency Rule Making Record for this rule including any written comment(s) received during the comment period and the record of any oral proceeding is available for public inspection by contacting the Agency at the above address.

An oral proceeding was held on this rule:  
Date: 5 July 2006  
Time: 11:00 a.m.  
Place: Mississippi Department of Health, Osborne Building Auditorium, 570 E. Woodrow Wilson, Jackson, MS

An oral proceeding was not held on this rule.

The Agency has considered the written comments and the presentations made in any oral proceedings, and:

- This rule as adopted is without variance from the proposed rule.
- This rule as adopted differs from the proposed rule as there are minor editorial changes which affect the form rather than the substance of the rule.
- This rule as adopted differs from the proposed rule and all of the following apply:
  - The differences are within the scope of the matter in the notice of proposed rule adoption,
  - The differences are a logical outgrowth of the contents of the Notice of Proposed Rule Adoption and the comments submitted in response thereto, and
  - The Notice of Proposed Rule Adoption provided fair warning that the outcome of the proposed rule adoption could be the rule in question.

The entire text of the Final Rule including the text of any rule being amended or changed is attached.

Effective Date of Rule: 11 August 2006

Vickey J. Maddox, Office Director  
Printed Name/Title of Person Submitting Rule for Filing

  
Signature