

General Assembly

January Session, 2025

## Raised Bill No. 6839

LCO No. **3869** 

Referred to Committee on COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN

Introduced by: (KID)

## AN ACT INCREASING THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN PERMITTED IN FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. Subdivision (3) of subsection (a) of section 19a-77 of the
general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

4 (3) A "family child care home" which consists of a private family 5 home providing care (A) for (i) not more than six children, including the 6 provider's own children not in school full time, without the presence or 7 assistance of an assistant or substitute staff member approved by the 8 Commissioner of Early Childhood, pursuant to section 19a-87b, present 9 and assisting the provider, or (ii) not more than [nine] twelve children, 10 including the provider's own children, with the presence and assistance 11 of such approved assistant or substitute staff member, and (B) for not 12 less than three or more than twelve hours during a twenty-four-hour 13 period and where care is given on a regularly recurring basis except that 14 care may be provided in excess of twelve hours but not more than 15 seventy-two consecutive hours to accommodate a need for extended

16 care or intermittent short-term overnight care. During the regular school 17 year, for providers described in subparagraph (A)(i) of this subdivision, 18 a maximum of three additional children who are in school full time, 19 including such provider's own children, shall be permitted, except that 20 if such provider has more than three children who are such provider's 21 own children and in school full time, all of such provider's own children 22 shall be permitted. During the summer months when regular school is 23 not in session, for providers described in subparagraph (A)(i) of this 24 subdivision, a maximum of three additional children who are otherwise 25 enrolled in school full time shall be permitted if there is such an 26 approved assistant or substitute staff member present and assisting 27 such provider, except that (i) if such provider has more than three such 28 additional children who are such provider's own children, all of such 29 provider's own children shall be permitted, and (ii) such approved 30 assistant or substitute staff member shall not be required if all of such 31 additional children are such provider's own children;

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2025	19a-77(a)(3)

## Statement of Purpose:

To increase the maximum number of children being provided care in a family child care home from nine to twelve children.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]