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**Introducer's Statement of Intent**  
**LB 892**

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**Chairperson:** Jim Jensen  
**Committee:** Health and Human Services  
**Date of Hearing:** January 20, 2006

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB 892 provides statutory clarification to the Child Care Licensing Act in the following areas:

First, this bill defines recreation camps using the definition in the Child Care Licensing Act. Current language exempts recreation camps from licensure, but does not define recreation camp.

Sec. 71-3101 defines that recreation camp shall mean one or more temporary or permanent tents, buildings, structures, or site pads, together with the tract of land appertaining thereto, established or maintained for more than a forty-eight-hour period as living quarters or sites used for purposes of sleeping or the preparation and serving of food extending beyond the limits of a family group for children or adults, or both, for recreation, education, or vacation purposes, and including facilities located on either privately or publicly owned lands except hotels or inns.

Second, this bill provides language that excludes school age child care services operated only during the summer from licensure. Typically, these types of services are sponsored by churches, youth serving community organizations and higher education: in operation for one or more weeks from June to August; and offered in a variety of locations, including outdoor sites such as parks and camps. It is not an effective use of staff resources to license a facility for just the summer months.

Third, this bill clarifies that an individual who has had a license suspended or revoked for reasons other than nonpayment of license fees shall not provide care to “any number of children” until they are licensed by the state.

Finally, this bill clarifies who signs the application when a child care program is owned by a corporation or limited liability company with a sole owner.

**Principal Introducer:**

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