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Agency: DEPARTMENT FAMILY AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES DFPS

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Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed:

My goal is to change laws to protect the people I love the most "children".

1. Investigators/Inspectors-TDFPS EMPLOYEES need a degree in any field to be employed/give technical assistance to a licensed childcare owner/director who has to have degrees/extensive hands on training with visible proof/verification. These TDFPS employees who have never worked in a center, directed a center, owned a center or even raised a child are presently giving very dangerous and inappropriate technical assistance to childcare providers and some who have been in this profession for more than 10 years.
2. Rules and regulations-very vague each TDFPS EMPLOYEE have their own interpretation of the minimum standards and will enforce it in their own way depending on the mood they are in, what day it is or who they are inspecting/investigating.
3. Interviews- TDFPS employees are given the right to interview a minor "alone" behind close doors and ask, say, do, convince, make agree, and even inappropriately touch a child.
4. Accusations-any person can call in an accusation, TDFPS takes it as perfect truth with no proof, just he said. It becomes a "pattern of accusation" and documented as an occurrence. Every inspector/investigator has their own procedure of handling each situation differently each time.

Accusations may come in from a "disgruntle" employee, parent, solicitor and cause a life chaos.

I have photos and documents (available upon request) of TDFPS employees and licensed childcare centers for "proof" to show and give as actual proof to back up the above statement showing that just because you wear a badge does not mean you are a "GOOD" person or make good decisions.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency:

!TDFPS/CCL employees must have a degree in early child development and be required to have worked as a director for 3yrs. plus in a licensed childcare center in order to hold employment and give technical assistance.

Having hands on training will effectively reduce misconception of childcare providers.

2. Rules/Regulations-Minimum Standards- give in plain language with definition, "clear" understanding and interpretation of laws equally enforced across the board. TDFPS/CCL have daily misinterpretations of rules and regulations and are endorsed in any way they choose depending on who you are.

3. Interviews- TDFPS/CCL may not interview anyone alone without another person physically present with the minor. In Texas a police officer with a badge and a gun may NOT interview a minor behind closed doors alone without another person being present.

4. Accusations- Anyone who calls or accuses must give their full information of themselves with proof backing their accusation and available for the accused. In Texas we are given the privilege to accuse anyone of anything without proof, causing a disaster just because someone wants to retaliate against you. TDFPS believes and acts on accusations without proof just because someone is saying it. No information, no proof no accusation. I have photos of a "HAUNTED" LICENSED CHILDCARE CENTER APPROVED BY THE TDFPS" this photo book will clearly back up these statements given and will demonstrate how this agency refuses to follow the rules and regulations-Minimum Standards. My goal is to make it to the White House, show photos how TDFPS/CCL employees are putting our children in "danger" on a daily basis and blaming it on childcare providers all because someone accused someone of something and TDFPS/CCL took it as the gospel truth. There are still many "GOOD PEOPLE WORKING, OWNING, DIRECTING" childcare centers presently. They do not always need technical assistance but do want to be treated with respect fairly and equally.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree