

(B) THE AMNESTY IS INTENDED TO ENCOURAGE COMPLIANCE WITH REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS BY:

(1) HAVING UNREGISTERED FAMILY DAY CARE PROVIDERS VOLUNTARILY ENTER THE REGISTRATION PROCESS; AND

(2) ALLOWING UNREGISTERED FAMILY DAY CARE PROVIDERS PARTICIPATING IN THE AMNESTY PROGRAM TO CONTINUE PROVIDING CHILD CARE DURING THE REGISTRATION PROCESS.

(C) (1) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS PART V, THERE SHALL BE AN AMNESTY PERIOD FOR UNREGISTERED FAMILY DAY CARE PROVIDERS FROM JANUARY 1, 1992 TO FEBRUARY 28, 1993, INCLUSIVE, TO ALLOW UNREGISTERED FAMILY DAY CARE PROVIDERS TO CONTINUE IN OPERATION WHILE BECOMING REGISTERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION.

(2) THE SECRETARY OF HUMAN RESOURCES SHALL ADOPT GUIDELINES FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE AMNESTY PROGRAM.

(D) (1) THE AMNESTY SHALL APPLY ONLY TO THE REGISTRATION REQUIRED BY THIS PART V, BUT ONLY IF THE REQUIREMENTS OF SUBSECTION (E) OF THIS SECTION ARE MET.

(2) ANY UNREGISTERED FAMILY DAY CARE PROVIDER PARTICIPATING IN THE AMNESTY:

(I) MAY NOT BE ENJOINED BY THE DEPARTMENT AS LONG AS INFORMATION IS NOT MADE KNOWN TO THE DEPARTMENT THAT THE HEALTH, SAFETY, OR WELFARE OF ANY CHILD IN THE CARE OF THE UNREGISTERED FAMILY DAY CARE PROVIDER IS ENDANGERED, INCLUDING ANY INFORMATION OR EVIDENCE PROVIDED BY A STATE OR LOCAL CODE ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY OR PROTECTIVE SERVICES OR LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY.

(II) IS NOT SUBJECT TO THE PENALTY PROVIDED FOR IN § 5-557 OF THIS PART V; AND

(III) IS SUBJECT TO THE GROUP SIZE REQUIREMENTS PROVIDED BY § 5-553 OF THIS PART V.

(E) FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, AN UNREGISTERED FAMILY DAY CARE PROVIDER IS PARTICIPATING IN THE AMNESTY PROGRAM IF:

(1) THE UNREGISTERED FAMILY DAY CARE PROVIDER:

(I) BETWEEN JANUARY 1, 1992 AND FEBRUARY 29, 1992, INCLUSIVE, FILES AN APPLICATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE GUIDELINES PROVIDED BY THE DEPARTMENT; AND