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## Bill Summary

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### Overview

This bill sets out requirements child care providers must follow in determining whether a child can play outdoors.

**1 Citation.** States that this act may be cited as "Gager's Law."

**2 Guidelines governing outdoor activity.** Creates § 245A.147. Paragraph (a) prohibits child care providers from allowing children to engage in outdoors activities if the temperature is below 20 degrees without wind chill, the heat index is 100 degrees or above, or there is a local air quality warning.

Paragraph (b) requires child care providers to ensure each child is wearing weather-appropriate clothing when playing outdoors. During winter, it requires children to wear mittens or gloves, hat, jacket, and boots when playing outdoors.