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I received a call from Maria Lievano, aide to Commissioner Diaz on July 25, 2005 and she asked whether a conflict of interest would be created if the Commissioner sponsored language regulating day care centers when his mother-in-law owns a day care center. I advised her that because this would be general legislation that would affect all day care centers it would *be not* present a conflict of interest. She further mentioned that one aspect of the legislation is to allow day care centers to apply for grants to install certain type of equipment in these facilities. I indicated that if it were a competitive program and the Manager made the selections there would be no conflict of interest if Diaz' mother-in-law's center applied for and received a grant. If on the other hand, the grant program was going to be administered by the BCC, Commissioner Diaz should not participate in the program if his mother-in-law's center filed an application.