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"AN ACT CONCERNING EARLY CHILDHOOD CARE AND EDUCATION."

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. Section 10-511 of the 2024 supplement to the general
4 statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
5 (*Effective from passage*):

6 [The Comptroller shall establish] (a) There is established the Early
7 Childhood Care and Education Fund. Said fund may contain any
8 moneys required or permitted by law to be deposited in the fund and
9 [any funds received from any public or private contributions, gifts,
10 grants, donations, bequests or devises to the fund.] shall receive and
11 hold all payments and deposits for contributions intended for said fund,
12 as well as gifts, bequests, endowments or federal, state or local grants

13 and any other funds from any public or private source and all earnings
14 until disbursed in accordance with the provisions of this section.

15 (b) The amounts on deposit in said fund shall not constitute property
16 of the state and said fund shall not be construed to be a department,
17 institution or agency of the state. Amounts on deposit in said fund shall
18 not be commingled with state funds and the state shall have no claim to
19 or against, or any interest in, such deposits. Any contract entered into
20 by or any obligation of said fund shall not constitute a debt or obligation
21 of the state and the state shall have no obligation to any person on
22 account of said fund and all amounts obligated to be paid from said
23 fund shall be limited to amounts available for such obligation on deposit
24 in said fund. Said fund shall continue in existence as long as it holds any
25 deposits or has any obligations and until its existence is terminated by
26 law.

27 (c) The Treasurer shall invest the amounts on deposit in said fund in
28 a manner reasonable and appropriate to achieve the objectives of said
29 fund, exercising the discretion and care of a prudent person in similar
30 circumstances with similar objectives. The Treasurer shall give due
31 consideration to rate of return, risk, term or maturity, diversification of
32 the total portfolio within said fund, liquidity, the projected
33 disbursements and expenditures and the expected payments, deposits,
34 contributions and gifts to be received. The Treasurer shall not require
35 said fund to invest directly in obligations of the state or any political
36 subdivision of the state or in any investment or other fund administered
37 by the Treasurer. The assets of said fund shall be continuously invested
38 and reinvested in a manner consistent with the objectives of said fund
39 until disbursed by the Comptroller in accordance with the provisions of
40 this section.

41 (d) The Treasurer, on behalf of said fund and for purposes of said
42 fund, may:

43 (1) Receive and invest moneys in said fund in any instruments,
44 obligations, securities or property in accordance with this section;

45 (2) Enter into one or more contractual agreements, including
46 contracts for legal, actuarial, accounting, custodial, advisory,
47 management, administrative, advertising, marketing and consulting
48 services for said fund and pay for such services from the assets of said
49 fund;

50 (3) Procure insurance in connection with said fund's property, assets,
51 activities or deposits to said fund;

52 (4) Apply for and accept gifts, grants or donations from public or
53 private sources to enable said fund to carry out its objectives;

54 (5) Adopt regulations in accordance with chapter 54 for purposes of
55 this section;

56 (6) Sue and be sued;

57 (7) Establish one or more accounts within said fund; and

58 (8) Take any other action necessary to carry out the purposes of this
59 section and incidental to the duties imposed on the Treasurer pursuant
60 to this section.

61 (e) The amounts on deposit in said fund shall be used for the
62 purposes of supporting early childhood education in, and child care
63 needs of, the state and shall not be expended for any other purpose.

64 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) (1) There is established the
65 Early Childhood Care and Education Fund Advisory Commission,
66 which shall be part of the Legislative Department. The commission shall
67 review and report on the financial health and status of the Early
68 Education Childhood Fund, submit and update a five-year plan to the
69 General Assembly on expenditures from said fund that would best
70 support early childhood education in, and child care needs of, the state
71 and make recommendations for legislative changes to further the
72 purposes of said fund.

73 (2) The commission shall consist of the following members:

74 (A) Two appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives,
75 (i) one of whom shall be a parent who is a member of the parent cabinet
76 established by the Office of Early Childhood pursuant to section 10-500
77 of the general statutes, and (ii) one of whom shall be an early childhood
78 teacher;

79 (B) Two appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate, (i) one
80 of whom shall be an operator or a representative of a home-based child
81 care services provider in the state, and (ii) one of whom shall be the
82 parent of a child receiving services under the birth-to-three program
83 established under section 17a-248b of the general statutes;

84 (C) Two appointed by the majority leader of the House of
85 Representatives, (i) one of whom shall be a representative of an early
86 childhood education program operator in the state, and (ii) one of whom
87 shall be a representative of a family resource center described under
88 section 10-4o of the general statutes and who is a member of the Early
89 Childhood Cabinet established pursuant to section 10-16z of the general
90 statutes;

91 (D) Two appointed by the majority leader of the Senate, (i) one of
92 whom shall be a representative of a philanthropic organization that is
93 (I) engaged in early childhood education issues or child care issues in
94 the state, and (II) a member of the Early Childhood Funder
95 Collaborative, and (ii) one of whom shall be a representative of the
96 Connecticut Head Start State Collaboration Office within the Office of
97 Early Childhood and who is a member of the Early Childhood Cabinet
98 established pursuant to section 10-16z of the general statutes;

99 (E) Two appointed by the minority leader of the House of
100 Representatives, (i) one of whom shall be a representative of a non-
101 home-based child care services provider in the state, and (ii) one of
102 whom shall be a representative of the Office of Early Childhood and
103 who administers the Childhood Care and Development Fund and who
104 is a member of the Early Childhood Cabinet established pursuant to
105 section 10-16z of the general statutes;

106 (F) Two appointed by the minority leader of the Senate, (i) one of
107 whom shall be a representative of a corporation with a significant
108 physical presence in the state and that employs individuals who may
109 benefit from early childhood education and state child care initiatives,
110 and (ii) one of whom shall be a representative of the Office of Early
111 Childhood and who administers Part C of the Individuals with
112 Disabilities Education Act, 20 USC 1431 et. seq., as amended from time
113 to time;

114 (G) The chairpersons and ranking members of the joint standing
115 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
116 relating to finance, revenue and bonding;

117 (H) One member of the General Assembly appointed by the speaker
118 of the House of Representatives and one member of the General
119 Assembly appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate;

120 (I) The commissioners of Early Childhood and Education, or their
121 designees;

122 (J) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, or the
123 secretary's designee;

124 (K) The Treasurer, or the Treasurer's designee; and

125 (L) The Comptroller, or the Comptroller's designee.

126 (3) Each appointed member shall serve in accordance with the
127 provisions of section 4-1a of the general statutes and the appointing
128 authorities shall appoint members to ensure representation on the
129 commission of all geographic areas in the state, to the extent practicable.

130 (4) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the
131 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to finance,
132 revenue and bonding shall serve as administrative staff of the
133 commission.

134 (5) The members appointed under subparagraph (H) of subdivision

135 (2) of this subsection and the Comptroller shall serve as the chairpersons
136 of the commission. Such chairpersons shall schedule the first meeting of
137 the commission, which shall be held not later than ninety days after the
138 effective date of this section. The commission shall meet as often as
139 deemed necessary by the chairpersons or a majority of the commission.
140 Any appointed member who fails to attend three consecutive meetings
141 or who fails to attend fifty per cent of all meetings held during any
142 calendar year shall be deemed to have resigned from the commission.

143 (6) Any vacancy shall be filled by the appointing authority. Any
144 vacancy occurring other than by expiration of term shall be filled for the
145 balance of the unexpired term.

146 (7) A majority of the commission shall constitute a quorum for the
147 transaction of any business.

148 (8) (A) The members of the commission shall serve without
149 compensation, but shall, within the limits of available funds, be
150 reimbursed for travel expenses necessarily incurred in travelling to and
151 from a commission meeting, except that the following members shall be
152 eligible, within the limit of available funds, for a stipend of twenty-five
153 dollars for each hour or portion thereof that such member attends a
154 commission meeting:

155 (i) The parent member of the parent cabinet established by the Office
156 of Early Childhood and the parent of a child receiving services under
157 the birth-to-three program;

158 (ii) The early childhood teacher;

159 (iii) The representative of an early childhood education program
160 operator, provided such representative is an employee of such program
161 operator and is compensated by such program operator on an hourly
162 basis;

163 (iv) The representative of a non-home-based child care services
164 provider, provided such representative is an employee of such provider

165 and is compensated by such provider on an hourly basis; and

166 (v) The operator or representative of a home-based child care services
167 provider, provided such representative is an employee of such provider.

168 (B) The time spent by a member under subparagraph (A)(i) to (A)(v),
169 inclusive, of this subdivision to travel to and from such meeting shall
170 not be counted for purposes of calculating the stipend under this
171 subdivision.

172 (C) Each member seeking the travel expenses or stipend under this
173 subdivision shall submit a request to the executive director of the Office
174 of Legislative Management, in such form and manner as prescribed by
175 said director, and shall provide any documentation required by said
176 director to substantiate the requested amount.

177 (b) The commission shall have the following powers and duties:

178 (1) Review and monitor the Early Childhood Care and Education
179 Fund to assess its financial sustainability;

180 (2) Obtain from any executive department, board, commission or
181 other agency of the state such assistance and data as necessary and
182 available to carry out the purposes of this section; and

183 (3) Perform such other acts as may be necessary and appropriate to
184 carry out the duties described in this section.

185 (c) The commission shall:

186 (1) Not later than January 1, 2026, and annually thereafter, submit a
187 report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general
188 statutes, to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly
189 having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the budgets
190 of state agencies, finance, revenue and bonding, education and children,
191 on the financial health and status of the Early Childhood Care and
192 Education Fund, including, but not limited to, (A) the amounts on
193 deposit in said fund, (B) disbursements made or expected to be made

194 from said fund for the applicable fiscal year, (C) the rates of return on
195 investments made by the Treasurer pursuant to subsection (c) of this
196 section, (D) a statement as to the sufficiency of the amounts on deposit
197 in said fund to achieve the purposes of said fund, and (E) any
198 recommendations for policy changes and amendments to the general
199 statutes necessary to further the purposes of said fund;

200 (2) Not later than January 1, 2026, submit a five-year plan, in
201 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes,
202 to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having
203 cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state
204 agencies, finance, revenue and bonding, education and children, of
205 recommendations of expenditures from said fund that would best
206 support early childhood education in, and child care needs of, the state.
207 The commission shall, in developing such plan, consider reports on the
208 state of (A) early childhood care and education in the state, and (B)
209 kindergarten readiness in the state, as well as best practices in other
210 states. The commission shall update such plan at least annually and
211 submit such updated plan annually to said committees; and

212 (3) Commencing with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, hold a
213 public hearing annually on the state of the fund and of early childhood
214 education and child care in the state.

215 Sec. 3. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2024*) (a) The Office of Early Childhood
216 shall, within available appropriations, establish a Tri-Share Child Care
217 Matching Program serving New London County. Under such program,
218 costs for child care provided by duly licensed child care facilities in the
219 state shall be shared equally among participating employers, employees
220 and the state.

221 (b) (1) The program shall be established for a minimum of two years
222 and the office shall select a regional or state-wide organization as the
223 administrator of the program. Such administrator shall (A) determine
224 employers' and employees' eligibility for participation in the program,
225 (B) ensure that child care facilities to which payments will be made

226 under the program are licensed by the state, (C) collect and ensure
227 timely payment from participating employers, participating employees
228 and the state, (D) disburse funds to the appropriate child care provider,
229 (E) recruit employers to participate in the program, (F) coordinate
230 adequate communication between all parties, and (G) collect and submit
231 to the Office of Early Childhood data concerning participating
232 employees, including, but not limited to, the annual household income
233 of such employees, provided any such submitted data shall be
234 deidentified.

235 (2) To be eligible to participate in the program:

236 (A) An employer shall have a physical facility located in New London
237 County that is the principal workplace of its employees; and

238 (B) An employee shall (i) be employed by a participating employer,
239 (ii) reside in the state, (iii) have as such employee's principal workplace
240 a location in New London County, and (iv) not be receiving other public
241 assistance for child care costs.

242 (c) The Commissioner of Early Childhood shall enter into an
243 agreement with such administrator to perform the duties described
244 under subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of this section. Such agreement
245 shall include, but need not be limited to, (1) a provision that the
246 administrator shall receive, for administrative costs of the program, up
247 to ten per cent of the funds allocated by the state for the program, (2) a
248 requirement that the administrator not commingle funds received for
249 purposes of the program, other than funds for administrative costs
250 allowed pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection, with other funds
251 held or controlled by the administrator, (3) any restrictions or
252 prohibitions on the disclosure of data received or collected by the
253 administrator in the performance of its duties under subdivision (1) of
254 subsection (b) of this section, and (4) penalties for violation of a
255 provision of the agreement or of this section.

256 (d) Commencing with the fiscal year immediately following the first
257 year of the program and annually thereafter, the commissioner shall

258 submit to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having
259 cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state
260 agencies, finance, revenue and bonding, education and children, a
261 report on the program. Such report shall include, but need not be limited
262 to, (1) for the fiscal year immediately preceding, (A) the number of
263 participating employers and participating employees, (B) the
264 percentage of participating employees whose household incomes are
265 below the asset limited, income constrained, employed population
266 threshold, as calculated in the most recent ALICE report by the United
267 Way of Connecticut, and (C) the amounts disbursed by the
268 administrator for child care costs and the amounts retained by the
269 administrator for administrative costs, and (2) any programmatic or
270 legislative changes the commissioner recommends to improve the
271 program or further its purposes.

272 Sec. 4. (*Effective from passage*) (a) As used in this section:

273 (1) "Early childhood teacher" means an individual in a state-funded
274 school readiness program or in a state-funded child care program, (A)
275 who has primary responsibility for a classroom of children, (B) who is
276 regularly scheduled in such capacity and has been employed in such
277 capacity by such program for at least six months as of the time of
278 submitting an application under subsection (c) of this section, and (C)
279 whose duties in such capacity equal at least fifty per cent of the assigned
280 time of such individual;

281 (2) "Teacher assistant" means an individual in a state-funded school
282 readiness program or in a state-funded child care program, (A) whose
283 primary duty is to assist an early childhood teacher in the provision of
284 early childhood care or as part of a school readiness program, and (B)
285 who is regularly scheduled in such capacity and has been employed in
286 such capacity by such program for at least six months as of the time of
287 submitting an application under subsection (c) of this section; and

288 (3) "School readiness program" has the same meaning as provided in
289 section 10-16p of the general statutes.

290 (b) (1) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the Office of Early
291 Childhood shall establish and administer a wage supplement payment
292 program to provide a one-time payment of not less than one thousand
293 eight hundred dollars to eligible early childhood teachers and teacher
294 assistants, provided each eligible applicant receiving a payment under
295 the program shall receive the same payment amount. Such payments
296 shall be provided on a first-come first-served basis up to the amount
297 made available for such payments pursuant to subsection (d) of this
298 section.

299 (2) To the extent permissible under federal law, payments made
300 under this section shall not be considered income or an asset for the
301 purposes of determining eligibility for any state-administered public
302 assistance program, including any HUSKY program described in
303 section 17b-290 of the general statutes.

304 (c) The Commissioner of Early Childhood shall determine (1) an
305 application period for early childhood teachers and teacher assistants to
306 apply to the Office of Early Childhood to register for a wage supplement
307 payment, (2) the form and manner of such application, and (3) the form
308 and manner of disseminating information about the program to best
309 achieve the purposes of this section. The office shall review the
310 applications submitted pursuant to this section and confirm the
311 eligibility of the applicant to receive such payment. Not later than thirty
312 days after the office receives an application, the office shall notify the
313 applicant whether such applicant is approved for such payment and if
314 such applicant is not approved, the office shall provide the reason or
315 reasons why.

316 (d) The sum of nine million dollars of the amount appropriated in
317 section 1 of public act 23-204 to the Office of Early Childhood for the
318 fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, for Early Care and Education and used
319 by said office for school readiness and child day care purposes, shall be
320 used to fund the wage supplement payments provided pursuant to this
321 section.

322 (e) Not later than October 1, 2025, the Commissioner of Early
323 Childhood shall submit to the joint standing committees of the General
324 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and
325 the budgets of state agencies, finance, revenue and bonding, education
326 and children, a report on the program. Such report shall include, but
327 need not be limited to, (1) the number of early childhood teachers and
328 the number of teacher assistants that submitted applications, (2) the
329 number of such applicants who were approved for a wage supplement
330 payment, (3) the amounts of the payments made to eligible early
331 childhood teachers and to eligible teacher assistants and the total
332 amount disbursed under the program, and (4) a recommendation of
333 whether such program should be expanded or extended.

334 Sec. 5. Subsection (c) of section 4b-21 of the general statutes is
335 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1,*
336 *2024*):

337 (c) Not later than thirty days after receipt of such notification from
338 the secretary, the following agencies shall determine and notify the
339 secretary in writing if the land, improvement or interest serves the
340 following needs: (1) The Commissioner of Economic and Community
341 Development, whether it can be used or adapted for economic
342 development or exchanged for property that can be used for economic
343 development; (2) the Commissioner of Transportation, whether it can be
344 used for transportation purposes; (3) the Commissioner of Energy and
345 Environmental Protection, whether it can be used for open space
346 purposes or to otherwise support the department's mission; (4) the
347 Commissioner of Agriculture, whether it can be used for farming or
348 agricultural purposes; (5) the Commissioner of Veterans Affairs,
349 whether it can be used for veterans' housing; (6) the Commissioner of
350 Children and Families, whether it can be used to support the
351 department's mission; (7) the Commissioner of Developmental Services,
352 whether it can be used to support the department's mission; (8) the
353 Commissioner of Administrative Services, whether it can be used to
354 house state agencies or can be leased; [and] (9) the Commissioner of
355 Housing, whether it can be used as an emergency shelter or transitional

356 living facility for homeless persons, or used for the construction,
357 rehabilitation or renovation of housing for persons and families of low
358 and moderate income; and (10) the Commissioner of Early Childhood,
359 whether it can be used for the provision of early childhood care and
360 early childhood education programs. Not later than thirty days after
361 receipt of such notification from the secretary, any state agency,
362 department or institution that is interested in utilizing the land,
363 improvement or interest shall submit a plan to the secretary that sets
364 forth the proposed use for the land, improvement or interest and a
365 budget and timetable for such use. If one or more agencies, departments
366 or institutions submit a plan for such land, improvement or interest to
367 the secretary within such thirty-day period, the secretary shall analyze
368 such agency, department or institution plan or plans and determine
369 whether custody and control of the land, improvement or interest shall
370 be transferred to one of such agencies, departments or institutions, in
371 which case the agency, department or institution having custody of the
372 land, improvement or interest shall make such transfer.

373 Sec. 6. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) Not later than December 1, 2024,
374 the Commissioner of Early Childhood shall, in consultation with a
375 nonprofit organization providing entrepreneurial and financial
376 education services to women, develop a document for distribution to
377 each person, group of persons, association, organization, corporation,
378 institution or agency licensed to maintain a child care center or group
379 child care home pursuant to section 19a-80 of the general statutes or
380 family child care home pursuant to section 19a-87b of the general
381 statutes, explaining the benefits of maintaining liability insurance
382 coverage for such center or home and the potential consequences that
383 may result in the absence of such coverage. Not later than January 1,
384 2025, and annually thereafter, the commissioner shall distribute such
385 document electronically to each such licensee.

386 Sec. 7. Section 10-514 of the general statutes is repealed and the
387 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

388 (a) Not later than January 1, 2020, the Office of Early Childhood shall

389 create a one-page document that (1) lists important developmental
390 milestones experienced by children ages birth to five years, and (2)
391 contains notice that any parent or guardian who is concerned that such
392 parent or guardian's child has not met one or more such developmental
393 milestones may access the Office of Early Childhood Child
394 Development Infoline for information concerning appropriate services.
395 The office shall make such document available on its Internet web site.

396 (b) On and after [February 1, 2020] July 1, 2024, each operator of a
397 child care center, group child care home or family child care home, as
398 described in section 19a-77, other than those centers or homes that serve
399 school-age children exclusively, shall post a copy of the document
400 developed pursuant to subsection (a) of this section in a conspicuous
401 place on the premises of such child care center, group child care home
402 or family child care home.

403 Sec. 8. Subsection (a) of section 17b-749 of the 2024 supplement to the
404 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
405 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

406 (a) The Commissioner of Early Childhood shall establish and operate
407 a child care subsidy program to increase the availability, affordability
408 and quality of child care services for families with a parent or caretaker
409 who (1) is (A) working or attending high school, or (B) subject to the
410 provisions of subsection (d) of this section, is enrolled or participating
411 in (i) a public or independent institution of higher education, (ii) a
412 private career school authorized pursuant to sections 10a-22a to 10a-22o,
413 inclusive, (iii) a job training or employment program administered by a
414 regional workforce development board, (iv) an apprenticeship program
415 administered by the Labor Department's office of apprenticeship
416 training, (v) an alternate route to certification program approved by the
417 State Board of Education, (vi) an adult education program pursuant to
418 section 10-69 or other high school equivalency program, or (vii) a local
419 Even Start program or other adult education program approved by the
420 Commissioner of Early Childhood; or (2) receives cash assistance under
421 the temporary family assistance program from the Department of Social

422 Services and is participating in an education, training or other job
423 preparation activity approved pursuant to subsection (b) of section 17b-
424 688i or subsection (b) of section 17b-689d. Services available under the
425 child care subsidy program shall include the provision of child care
426 subsidies for children under the age of thirteen or children under the
427 age of nineteen with special needs. The Commissioner of Early
428 Childhood may institute a protective service class in which the
429 commissioner may waive eligibility requirements for at-risk
430 populations that meet the guidelines prescribed by the commissioner,
431 and subject to review by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and
432 Management. Such at-risk populations are children (A) placed in a
433 foster home by the Department of Children and Families and for whom
434 the parent or legal guardian receives foster care payments, (B) adopted
435 [children for one year from the date of adoption and] through the
436 Department of Children and Families, (C) who are homeless children
437 and youths, as defined in 42 USC 11434a, as amended from time to time,
438 and (D) under the care of a caregiver who is a recipient of subsidies
439 under the subsidized guardianship program pursuant to section 17a-
440 126. Any child described subparagraph (B) of this subdivision shall be
441 eligible for a subsidy under this section for a period not to exceed one
442 year from the date of adoption and any child described in subparagraph
443 (D) of this subdivision shall be eligible for a subsidy under this section
444 for a period not to exceed one year from the date that such child is
445 approved for a subsidy under this section. The Office of Early
446 Childhood shall open and maintain enrollment for the child care
447 subsidy program and shall administer such program within the existing
448 budgetary resources available. The office shall issue a notice on the
449 office's Internet web site any time the office closes the program to new
450 applications, changes eligibility requirements, changes program
451 benefits or makes any other change to the program's status or terms,
452 except the office shall not be required to issue such notice when the
453 office expands program eligibility. Any change in the office's acceptance
454 of new applications, eligibility requirements, program benefits or any
455 other change to the program's status or terms for which the office is
456 required to give notice pursuant to this subsection, shall not be effective

457 until thirty days after the office issues such notice.

458 Sec. 9. Subsection (h) of section 17b-749 of the 2024 supplement to the
459 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
460 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

461 (h) [On or after July 1, 2014, the commissioner shall adopt regulations,
462 in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to implement the
463 provisions of this section] On and after July 1, 2024, the commissioner
464 shall implement the provisions of 45 CFR 98, as amended from time to
465 time, to administer the child care subsidy program. The commissioner
466 shall develop policies and procedures necessary to implement the
467 provisions of this section.

468 Sec. 10. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2024*) (a) As used in this section:

469 (1) "Early intervention services" has the same meaning as provided in
470 section 17a-248 of the general statutes; and

471 (2) "Individualized family service plan" has the same meaning as
472 provided in section 17a-248 of the general statutes.

473 (b) A licensed child care center, group child care home or family child
474 care home, as such terms are described in section 19a-77 of the general
475 statutes, shall allow a child who has an individualized family service
476 plan and is eligible for the birth-to-three program, established under
477 section 17a-248b of the general statutes, to receive early intervention
478 services at such child care center, group child care home or family child
479 care home from the service provider designated in such individualized
480 family service plan.

481 Sec. 11. (*Effective July 1, 2024*) Not later than October 1, 2024, the
482 Secretary of the State shall update the official compilation of the
483 regulations of Connecticut state agencies posted on the eRegulations
484 System to comply with the provisions of chapter 54 of the general
485 statutes and section 12 of this act.

486 Sec. 12. (*Effective July 1, 2024*) Notwithstanding the provisions of

487 chapter 54 of the general statutes, sections 17b-749-01 to 17b-749-23,
488 inclusive, of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies are repealed.

489 Sec. 13. Section 10-511a of the 2024 supplement to the general statutes
490 is repealed. (*Effective from passage*)"

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	10-511
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 3	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	New section
Sec. 4	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 5	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	4b-21(c)
Sec. 6	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 7	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	10-514
Sec. 8	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	17b-749(a)
Sec. 9	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	17b-749(h)
Sec. 10	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	New section
Sec. 11	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	New section
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Sec. 13	<i>from passage</i>	Repealer section