

ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

SECOND SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 427

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PURPOSE: The purpose of this resolution is to propose an interim study to examine the use of the child care subsidy program in section 68-1206 as an incentive to recruit and retain employees in the child care industry.

This study shall include, but need not be limited to, an examination of the following:

(1) The available workforce data on the Nebraska child care industry, including historical trends;

(2) The effects of child care workforce shortages and child care availability on the overall Nebraska workforce;

(3) Child care subsidy programs implemented in Kentucky, Iowa, Rhode Island, and other states to recruit and retain the child care workforce in such states, including program structure, cost, and impact.

(4) Potential statutory and administrative changes necessary to implement a child care subsidy program for child care employees in Nebraska;

(5) The anticipated cost of implementing a child care subsidy program for child care employees in Nebraska; and

(6) The anticipated outcomes should Nebraska implement a child care subsidy program for child care employees.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, SECOND SESSION:

1. That the Health and Human Services Committee of the Legislature shall be designated to conduct an interim study to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

2. That the committee shall upon the conclusion of its study make a report of its findings, together with its recommendations, to the Legislative Council or Legislature.