

House Bill 2349

Sponsored by Representative POWER; Representative SANCHEZ (Pre-session filed.)

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Directs Early Learning Division to establish child care provider business training program. Appropriates moneys from General Fund to division for program.

Appropriates moneys from General Fund to division for small grant program to assist child care providers with costs associated with providing quality child care.

Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2019.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to child care providers; and declaring an emergency.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. (1) The Early Learning Division shall establish, in coordination with existing training systems, a statewide child care provider business training program that will educate child care providers on how to start and operate a child care business. The program must include:

(a) Training and supports to recruit, train and retain qualified child care providers;

(b) Technical assistance in applying for licensing and certification, including resources to assist child care providers in understanding and complying with state and federal child care regulations;

(c) Assistance in meeting quality rating and improvement system standards;

(d) Guidance in providing culturally appropriate care; and

(e) Outreach, support programs and training to all types of child care providers, including child care centers and child care providers who are family, friends or neighbors.

(2) The division shall encourage providers to register with the employment-related day care program described in ORS 329A.500.

(3) The division shall provide technical assistance resources to help child care providers understand and comply with state and federal child care regulations.

SECTION 2. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the Early Learning Division, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2019, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$_____ for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of section 1 of this 2019 Act.

SECTION 3. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the Early Learning Division, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2019, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$_____ for the purpose of providing small grants in the amount of no more than \$___ each to assist child care providers with the costs associated with providing quality care, including required equipment, facility improvements and training opportunities for child care providers and staff.

SECTION 4. This 2019 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter *[italic and bracketed]* is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2019 Act takes effect**
2 **July 1, 2019.**

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