FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

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Measure Description:

Establishes oversight of outdoor preschool programs by Office of Child Care.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Department of Early Learning and Care

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Costs related to the measure may require budgetary action - See analysis.

Summary of Expenditure Impact:

	2023-25 Biennium	2025-27 Biennium
Department of Early Learning and Care		
General Fund		
Personal Services	\$48,039	\$192,161
Services and Supplies	\$17,457	\$24,474
Total Fiscal Impact	\$65,496	\$216,635
Total Positions	1	1
Total FTE	0.25	1.00

Analysis:

HB 2717-A adds "outdoor child care program" to the definition for "child care facility." The measure grants authority to the Department of Early Learning and Care (DELC) to license and oversee outdoor child care programs as defined in the measure. The measure amends current statute to add minimum facility standards and practices for family child care homes, child care centers and outdoor childcare programs. The measure is operative July 1, 2025, however, DELC and the Early Learning Council are permitted to take any action necessary to prepare for implementation prior to that date.

As of March 2020, 24 outdoor child care programs will require licensing with passage of this measure, with an estimated 25-50 entities expressing interest in establishing outdoor child care programs. To process the anticipated increase in workload, DELC is projected to need 1 permanent full-time Compliance Specialist 2 position (0.25 FTE) for the 2023-25 biennium at a cost of \$48,039 General Fund with \$11,897 General Fund in position related services supplies. This position will increase to 1.00 FTE in the 2025-27 biennium with a position cost of \$192,161 General Fund and \$24,474 General Fund in position related services and supplies costs for 1.00 FTE.

In addition to position costs for the 2023-25 biennium, DELC has an estimated one-time cost of \$5,560 General Fund to cover consultation with the Attorney General during rulemaking.

This measure requires budgetary action for the allocation of General Fund resources and position establishment.