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House Bill 2504

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CHAPTER

AN ACT

Relating to barriers that impede entry into the early childhood workforce by international early childhood professionals.

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

SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section, “international early childhood professional” is an individual who has received professional training in early learning and care, or a college or university degree related to early learning and care, outside of the United States.

(2) The Department of Early Learning and Care shall adopt standards and processes to reduce barriers that impede an international early childhood professional from entering the early learning workforce in Oregon.

(3) At a minimum, the standards and processes must:

(a) Simplify and eliminate administrative inefficiencies that exist within the early learning system in Oregon;

(b) Identify a method to determine minimum qualifications for an international early childhood professional to participate in the early learning workforce in Oregon; and

(c) Establish minimum qualifications for an international early childhood professional to participate in the early learning workforce in Oregon, including requirements related to professional training and academic credentials.

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Timothy G. Sekerak, Chief Clerk of House

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Dan Rayfield, Speaker of House

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