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Bill Title: Relating to child care provider incentive program; prescribing an effective date.

Government Unit(s) Affected: Department of Early Learning and Care

Summary of Fiscal Impact

Costs related to the measure are indeterminate at this time - see explanatory analysis.

Measure Description

The measure directs the Department of Early Learning and Care (DELIC) to establish and implement a child care provider incentive program for the purpose of providing assistance to child care providers, including micro centers. The Early Learning Council shall prescribe through rulemaking eligibility requirements for the program, among other terms and conditions. The eligibility requirements must allow providers to qualify for multiple child care provider incentives, as well as an incentive for multiyear periods.

The measure authorizes DELIC to enter into contracts with one or more public or private entities to administer the child care provider incentive program, or parts of the program. DELIC shall decide by September 1 of each year how scholarship distributions for the upcoming academic year will be provided. The measure establishes the Child Care Provider Incentive Fund, which is continuously appropriated to DELIC to carry out the child care provider incentive program.

Fiscal Analysis

The fiscal impact of the measure is presently indeterminate. The measure establishes a child care provider incentive program within DELIC and the Child Care Provider Incentive Fund to administer that program; however, the measure does not provide any funding for the program. Without additional funding, DELIC would be unable to carry out the proposed child care provider incentive program in the 2025-27 biennium and beyond. Assuming funding were made available, DELIC would need to hire program staff to provide grant management and oversee contracts with public or private entities. Although unable to provide a cost estimate for these contracts, DELIC estimated entering one or two contracts per fiscal year.

Assuming the Child Care Provider Incentive Fund is capitalized, DELIC would need Other Funds expenditure limitation to expend monies from the fund.

Relevant Dates

The measure takes effect 91 days after adjournment sine die.