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Rep Pinto and Committee Members:

MCCPIN is in support 7SS-AM06 and 7SS-AM07 for continued funding to support child care providers and families in their care.

Licensed Family Child Care providers have been deemed 'essential' to the state as without child care, parents can not work. Many providers have been especially hit hard with shut downs, restrictions and loss of income due to the pandemic. Providers have incurred additional expenses in supplies, time spent maintaining MDH standards and navigating through this pandemic.

Previous funding by the state and the federal government have helped hold the industry together as many child care businesses would have closed and then parents would have been unable to find care. We were previously in a crisis; this pandemic has increased that crisis.

MCCPIN is asking that funding for the Public Health Support Funds be continued with state funds now. There may or may not be federal funding made available, or it may not be in time. Without this state funding, Licensed Family Child Care providers risk losing their businesses and will be unable to support the families they serve.

In addition, families utilizing CCAP and the providers who provide care for them, need financial support as offered in 7SS-AM07. This ensures the possibility of families being able to work and providers continue to be able to provide care for them.

We are asking that any state COVID-19 relief package include child care. Child care providers are essential now and for economic recovery.

Thank you for your time and efforts during this trying time.

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The mission of the Minnesota Child Care Provider Information Network (MCCPIN) is to support, promote and strengthen the profession of licensed family child care, thereby enriching the lives of providers, children, families and communities.