

Department of Children, Youth, and Families Governor's Budget Bill

Bill Article, Section	Stat. Sec. Amended	Section Description
Article 1 – Department of Children, Youth, and Families		
Art 1, Sec 1	127A.41, subd. 8	Appropriation Transfers. Removes a reference to language referencing statutes that have been recodified from the commissioner of education under Chapter 124D the commissioner of children, youth and families in Chapter 142D; ECFE is now section 142D.11 and School Readiness Aid is section 142D.06.
Art 1, Sec 2	127A.41 subd. 9	Appropriation Transfers. Removes the obsolete language providing the commissioner of education authority to transfer funds from Early Childhood Family Education Revenue and School Readiness Aid to offset excess spending in other education aids. These appropriations were previously codified under sections 124D.135 and 124D.16, respectively, under the commissioner of education. They are now codified under the commissioner of children, youth and families in Chapter 142D; ECFE is now section 142D.11 and School Readiness Aid is section 142D.06.
Art 1, Sec 3	127A.45, subd. 13	Appropriation Transfers. Inserts references for educational aids under the authority of the commissioner of children, youth and families to section 127D.45, subd. 13, which directs the department of education to include these aids in payments to local educational agencies.
Art 1, Sec 4	142A.03, subd. 2	Child Safety and Permanency. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Expands commissioner authority to contract with licensed child-placing agencies or Minnesota Tribal social services agencies to provide not only adoption services, but also permanency services for children in foster care whose permanency plan is transfer of permanent legal and physical custody to a relative (or equivalent in Tribal code). This section is effective July 1, 2025
Art 1, Sec 5	142D.08, subd. 8	Early Childhood. Clarifies that voluntary prekindergarten funding is subject to the same excesses and deficiencies process under section 127A.41, and payment schedule under section 127A.45, subd. 13, as other general education revenue. This section is effective July 1, 2025.
Art 1, Sec 6	142D.093	Early Childhood. Clarifies that developmental screening aid is subject to the payment schedule under section 127A.45, subd. 13. This section is effective July 1, 2025.
Art 1, Sec 7	142D.11, subd. 1	Early Childhood. Clarifies that early childhood family education revenue is subject to the basic revenue formula allowance under section 126C.10, subd. 2. This section is effective July 1, 2025.
Art 1, Sec 8	142D.11, subd. 2	Early Childhood. Clarifies that district population data on the number of children ages 0-5 continues to be reported to the department of education. This section is effective July 1, 2025.
Art 1, Sec 9	142D.11, subd. 10	Early Childhood. Clarifies that early childhood family education revenue is subject to the payment scheduled under section 127A.45, subd. 13. This section is effective July 1, 2025.

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Article 2 – Child Safety and Permanency		
Art 2, Sec 1	260.810, subd. 1	<i>Child Safety and Permanency.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requires the commissioner to make ICWA grant payments quarterly instead of upon receipt of a quarterly report to align with proposed changes to reporting frequency in sections 21 and 22. This section is effective July 1, 2025
Art 2, Sec 2	260.810, subd. 2	<i>Child Safety and Permanency.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requires the commissioner to engage Tribal and urban Indian organizations when establishing requirements for reports and reporting timelines, with a minimum reporting timeline of at least annually, and allows individualized reporting periods upon agreement by commissioner and grantee. This section is effective July 1, 2025
Art 2, Sec 3	260.821, subd. 2	<i>Child Safety and Permanency.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Removes the maximum award limit of \$100,000 per year for special focus grants to allow full use of appropriated funds. This section is effective July 1, 2025
Article 3 – Early Childhood		
Art 3, Sec 1	142D.21, subd. 6	<i>Child Care Services.</i> Adds Tribal reservation land to the definition of Access Equity Areas and makes any Tribally licensed program eligible for the 10 percent increase in Great Start Compensation Support Payment Program payments. This section is effective July 1, 2025.
Art 3, Sec 2	142D.21, subd. 10	<i>Child Care Services.</i> Establishes a special revenue fund for the Great Start Compensation Support Payment Program to replace existing carryforward authority. This section is effective July 1, 2025.
Art 3, Sec 3	142D.31, subd. 2	<i>Child Care Services.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Makes TEACH scholarship amounts consistent with national TEACH early childhood program requirements. Clarifies that employees of certified centers and Head Start programs are eligible for TEACH scholarships. Reduces the scholarship recipient match from 20 to 10 percent for individuals who work in licensed family child care settings. This section is effective July 1, 2025.
Art 3, Sec 4	142E.03, subd. 3	<i>Childcare Services</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Redeterminations- Related to Governor’s Budget Recommendation to extend redetermination dates when a new child is added to a family. This proposal helps bring CCAP toward compliance with federal regulations. This section is effective May 25, 2026

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Art 3, Sec 5	142E.11, subd. 1	<i>Childcare Services</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eliminate Schedule Reporters- Related to Governor’s Budget Recommendation to eliminate the “Schedule Reporter” designation so all eligible families can get 12 months of eligibility for child care assistance. This proposal helps bring CCAP toward compliance with federal regulations. This section is effective March 2, 2026
Art 3, Sec 6	142E.11, subd. 2	<i>Childcare Services</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eliminate Schedule Reporters- Related to Governor’s Budget Recommendation to eliminate the “Schedule Reporter” designation so all eligible families can get 12 months of eligibility for child care assistance. This proposal helps bring CCAP toward compliance with federal regulations. This section is effective March 2, 2026
Art 3, Sec 7	142E.13, subd. 2	<i>Childcare Services</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Redeterminations- Related to Governor’s Budget Recommendation to extend redetermination dates when a new child is added to a family. This proposal helps bring CCAP toward compliance with federal regulations. This section is effective May 25, 2026
Art 3, Sec 8	142E.15, subd. 1	<i>Childcare Services</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Copays- Related to Governor’s Budget Recommendation to reduce copays for most CCAP families and cap all family copays at no more than 7% of a family’s income. This proposal helps bring CCAP toward compliance with federal regulations. This section is effective October 13, 2025
Art 3, Sec 9	142E.16, subd. 1b	<i>Childcare Services</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> LNL Health and Safety Training Requirements- Related to Governor’s Budget Recommendation to make changes to health and safety training for Legal Nonlicensed ((LNL) providers. This proposal helps bring CCAP toward compliance with federal regulations. This section is effective October 1, 2025
Art 3, Sec 10	142E.16, subd. 7	<i>Childcare Services</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Electronic Attendance- Related to Governor’s Budget Recommendation to establish a statewide electronic attendance tracking system for CCAP. This can support program integrity measures and prepares CCAP to meet federal compliance in the future for regulations related to paying providers in advance and by enrollment. This section is effective June 22, 2026
Art 3, Sec 11	Session law	<i>Child Care Services</i> . Requires additional basic sliding fee child care funding for calendar years 2026 and 2027 to be allocated to counties and Tribes in a manner that accounts for the elimination of the schedule reporter designation.

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Article 4 – Appropriations		
Art 4, Sec 1-30	Session law	Appropriations.
Author's Amendment		
Lines 1.3-1.20	142B.171, subd. 2	Allows the publication of pre-licensing inspection reports for child care providers on the Licensing Information Lookup site <i>as required by federal law</i> .
Lines 2.1-2.5	142D.06, subd. 4	Inserts references for school readiness aid under the authority of the commissioner of children, youth and families to sections 127A.41 and 127D.45, subd. 13, which directs the department of education to include these aids in payments to local educational agencies. Technical change to ensure DCYF implementation.
Lines 2.6 to 2.12	245.0962, subd. 1	Clarifies that the quality parenting initiative grants managed by the Child Safety and Permanency Administration at DCYF have transferred to the agency from DHS.
Lines 2.13 to 2.17	Revisor Instruction	Clarifies that the quality parenting initiative grants managed by the Child Safety and Permanency Administration at DCYF have transferred to the agency from DHS.
Lines 2.18-2.22	Revisor Instruction	Clarifies that the early literacy program remains at MDE by renumbering from DCYF to MDE statutes.
Lines 2.23-3.5	Grant Programs; Support Services Grants	This includes language to provide carryforward authority for the Minnesota Food Assistance Program from the first year of the biennium to the second year. This was included in the 2021 budget bill but was inadvertently excluded from the 2023 budget bill. This language adds the rider back in DCYF's budget bill.