

Subject Child care stabilization grants

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Overview

This bill increases the monthly child care stabilization base grant amounts for eligible child care programs for April through June 2023 and appropriates money for this purpose. The bill also appropriates money to two child care programs – Basic Sliding Fee and early learning scholarships – to address each program’s waiting list.

Summary

Section	Description
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1	Grant awards.
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Amends Laws 2021, First Special Session chapter 7, article 14, section 21, subdivision 4. Increases the monthly child care stabilization base grant amounts for eligible child care programs for April through June of 2023 to at least the grant amounts awarded in September 2021. Under current law, the grant amounts in June 2023 must be no more than half of what they were in September 2021.

This section is effective the day following final enactment.

2	Appropriation; basic sliding fee program.
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Appropriates \$20,000,000 in fiscal year 2023 from the general fund to commissioner of human services for the basic sliding fee program. The appropriation is available through fiscal year 2024.

This section is effective the day following final enactment.

3	Appropriation; child care stabilization grants.
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Appropriates \$11,000,000 in fiscal year 2023 from the general fund to the commissioner of human services to increase the child care stabilization base grant amounts under section 1.

This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Section	Description
4	<p data-bbox="316 262 1429 294">Appropriation; early learning scholarships.</p> <p data-bbox="316 304 1429 378">Appropriates \$20,000,000 in fiscal year 2023 from the general fund to the commissioner of education for early learning scholarships.</p> <p data-bbox="316 409 1429 453">This section is effective the day following final enactment.</p>



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