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## Bill Summary

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### Overview

This bill appropriates money for the ECFE program. ECFE programs provide early childhood education, parent-child learning opportunities, and parent education that enhances the ability of parents to provide for their children's optimal learning and development.

ECFE began as a series of pilot programs from 1974 to 1983. In 1984, the legislature made it possible for any school district with a community education program to establish the program. All ECFE programs are planned and implemented locally.

### Section

- 1 **Appropriation.** Appropriates \$20.8 million in fiscal year 2002 and \$20.8 million in fiscal year 2003 from the general fund to CFL for ECFE aid.