

Subject Project to modernize child care center regulations

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Overview

This bill directs the commissioner of human services to contract with an organization to develop a proposal for revised licensing standards for child care centers. The bill provides a blank appropriation in fiscal year 2022 for this project.

This bill is similar to H.F. 245, which directs the commissioner of human services to contract for similar work for family child care licensing standards.

Summary

Section	Description
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1	Child care center regulation modernization.
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Paragraph (a) directs the commissioner of human services to contract with an organization or consultant to conduct the work outlined in this section. If practicable, the commissioner must contract with the National Association for Regulatory Administration.

Paragraph (b) requires the contractor to develop a proposal for a risk-based model for monitoring compliance with child care center licensing standards that meets the specifications of the paragraph.

Paragraph (c) directs the contractor to develop and implement a stakeholder engagement process that solicits input about appropriate: (1) licensing standards; (2) tiers for violations of the standards; and (3) licensing sanctions for each tier.

Paragraph (d) directs the contractor to solicit input about which child care centers should be eligible for abbreviated inspections that predict compliance with other licensing standards for child care centers.

Paragraph (e) directs the commissioner to submit a report and proposed legislation for implementing the new licensing model no later than February 1, 2024, to the legislature.

Section	Description
2	<p data-bbox="316 262 1429 294">Appropriation; child care center regulation modernization.</p> <p data-bbox="316 304 1429 382">Provides a blank appropriation in fiscal year 2022 to the commissioner of human services for the child care center regulation modernization project.</p>



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