
SENATE COMMITTEE ON BUDGET AND FISCAL REVIEW

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Subject: Early childhood: childcare and education

Summary: This bill is the early childhood education omnibus trailer bill, which sets the rates and policies for all Budget Act appropriations for early childhood education programs in the departments of Education and Social Services. This bill includes the 2022-23 child care pandemic response package, child care infrastructure, and policy changes to the California State Preschool Program, and General Child Care program

Proposed Law: The bill includes the following major provisions:

- 1) Extends the 2021-22 Budget Act actions taken during the COVID-19 pandemic to waive family fees for childcare and create hold harmless policies for the 2022-23 fiscal year, including preschool.
- 2) Increases the 2021-22 Budget Act investment in the Department of Social Services Child Care Infrastructure program with one-time \$100.5 million in federal funds child care facility renovation and repair.
- 3) Allocates \$72.34 million ongoing general fund, and \$314 million ongoing Proposition 98, for increases in rates for the California State Preschool program to provide a 1.8 adjustment factor for three year olds, a 2.4 factor for students with exceptional needs, and 1.1 factor for mental health services.
- 4) Provides an additional \$250 million one-time, to the Inclusive Early Education Expansion Program at the Department of Education.
- 5) Adopts Governor's Budget proposed changes to include a 10 percent California State Preschool set-aside for inclusive education, beginning in 2024. The inclusive preschool set-aside will begin at 5 percent in the Budget Year.
- 6) Expands eligibility for California State Preschool to families at the state median income.
- 7) Provides authority to the Department of Education to develop a tool for early learning delay identification and referral, for preschool through grade 2.
- 8) Makes various definition changes for child care programs.

Fiscal Effect: This bill authorizes \$100.5 million in one-time child care augmentations at the Department of Social Services; authorizes \$252 million in one-time Proposition 98 and General Fund, and \$172.34 million on-going general fund, and \$314 million ongoing Proposition 98 for California State Preschool programs and inclusive early childhood infrastructure programs in the Department of Education. This bill contains the appropriation of \$250 million one-time Proposition 98 funding for the Inclusive Early Education Expansion Program.

Support: None on File

Opposed: None on File

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