



Legislative Update
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CHILD CARE SUBSIDY:

AB315 (DeLeon) - Child Care Provider Payment Schedule (Sponsored by the United Child Care Union)

Requires the SDE to consider developing guidelines for Alternative Payment Programs on specific matters. In developing regulations, they shall consider, timeliness of payments, due process and complaint process, completion of attendance records, manner of issuing payments, timeliness of notification when a child is no longer eligible to receive subsidies and administrative recourse and penalties for late payments to providers. If a penalty is assessed against an AP, it can only use administrative and support service funds. **Status: Senate.**

* **SB244 (Wright)** - Child Care and Development: High Risk Children Priority

Requires the CDE to study (by December 31, 2010) the feasibility of providing priority enrollment in high quality programs for the designated target populations including children 0-5 who are in foster care; at risk of being neglected, abused or exploited in relative care; adopted out of the foster care system, homeless, or have a parent who is in the foster care system, on probation, or on parole or in a correctional or residential treatment facility. **Status: Assembly Appropriations.**

COMMUNITY CARE LICENSING:

* **AB1368 (Adams)- Family Child Care: First Aid**

Requires small family child care homes to have a staff person with training in first aid and CPR in the home at all times which means that substitutes would need to have this training. **Status: Senate Appropriations 7/13**

* **SB702 (DeSaulnier)- Ancillary Day Care**

Effective January 1, 2011, defines a new category of child care programs as “ancillary” and relates to programs in athletic club, grocery stores or other business or group of businesses that provides a day care center that is ancillary to its principal business activity. It **requires** ancillary programs to use Trustline for their employees. **Status: Assembly Appropriations 7/15.**



PRESCHOOL:

*** AB769 (Torres) - Preschool Priorities (Sponsored by LACOE)**

In addition to existing priorities, this bill would require priority for participation in state preschool programs also be given to children who have a biological parent who is, or who has been within the previous 6 months, under the jurisdiction of the delinquency or dependency court. **Amended to clarify that priority enrollment does not allow for the displacement of children already in care. Status: Senate Floor**

SCHOOL-AGE CHILD CARE:

*** AB434 (Block) - After School Program: Matching Funds**

Reduces the amount of cash or in-kind local funds required by each ASES program for the 2009-10 and 2010-11 fiscal years to 15% including the local match that can be fulfilled by providing facilities from 25% to 15%. Authorizes the cost of a program site supervisor selected under the ASES Program Act of 2002 to be included as direct services, provided that at least 85% of the site supervisor's time is spent at the program site. **Status: Senate Appropriations.**

*** AB983 (Skinner) – School Programs: Weekend Care**

Allows ASES programs to operate on weekends within existing funding. Would not include weekend attendance in the calculation of the grant funding. **Status: Senate Education 7/15.**

OTHER BILLS:

*** AB627 (Brownley) - Child Care Nutrition**

Requires the SPI establish an 18-month pilot program (funding permitting with non-General fund sources) that provides higher meal reimbursement for meeting higher nutritional and physical activity standards. Requires that (effective January 1, 2011 and annually) a licensed child day care facility self-certify that they meet specified health and nutrition-related requirements. Requires the juice served (only once per day) be 100% juice. Requires serving only nonfat and low-fat milk to children over 2 years old, and water accessible throughout the day. Exempts children with medical necessity. **Status: Senate Health 7/15.**

SB3x 25 (Cox) - First 5 Abolishment- Urgency measure

This bill would abolish the state and local First 5 Commissions, however, according to Senator Cox's staff, since this is a special session bill and since issues were addressed with regards to First 5 in the special session, the Senator will not be pursuing this particular bill.

*** SCR44 (Corbett)- Regional Market Rate Structure**

Requests the CDE to review the current regional market rate structure to determine if it results in sufficient access for working families. Requests state holders involvement in a



open/transparent process for new RMR survey, planning or implementing new rates or a new rate structure. **Amended to request the department to submit a report on the RMR methodology to the Legislature by April 10, 2010. Status: Senate Appropriations**

SCR47 (De Saulnier)- Child Care Funding: Workforce

States the intent of the Legislature to increase funding for child development centers and preschools to provide staff with adequate salaries and benefits and provide adequate resources to support program quality. **Status: Senate Floor**

TWO-YEAR BILLS:

AB304 (Price) - Direct Deposit Payments for Child Care Providers (Sponsored by the United Child Care Union)

AB325 (Beall) - CalWORKs EITC outreach

AB495 (Davis) - Preschool Data (Sponsored by LAUP)

AB575 (Torres) - Sex Offenders: Presence around Children

AB849 (Swanson) - Family Medical Leave

AB932 (Torlakson) - Facility Loans (Sponsored by LIIF and CCDA)

AB997 (Krekorian) - Sex Offenders: Licensed Facilities

AB1000 (Ma) - Paid Sick Days

AB1124 (Yamada) - Preschool: Special Education Hearings

AB1195 (Brownley) - New Federal Funds (Tentatively co-sponsored by CCCR&R Network, Child Care Law Center, Children Now and Preschool California)

AB1349 (Torlakson) - ASES program

***SB19 (Simitian)** - Education Data (potentially including preschool) (Children Now working with author and sponsors on this bill)

Requires that federal grant funds be used to (American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Public Law 111-5) through that act's provision of funds for statewide data systems under the federal Education Technical Assistance Act) convene a specified working group to create a strategic plan to link education data systems and to accomplish specific objectives related to the accessibility of education data. Requires that the plan be delivered to the Legislature and the Governor by September 1, 2009.

SB293 (Runner) – Kindergarten Entrance Age

SB379 (Huff) - Heritage Schools license exemption

SB798 (DeSaulnier) - 21st Century Learning Centers

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