

HB 2353 - DIGEST

(SUBSTITUTED FOR - SEE 2ND SUB)

Declares that the purpose of this act is to improve access to and the quality of family child care services. Thousands of Washington families depend upon family child care providers to care for their children while the parents are at work or school.

Finds that to ensure that children receive the highest quality services from these providers, it is necessary to achieve and maintain a stable, well-trained work force. To accomplish these goals, it is the policy of this state to encourage family child care providers and licensees to have a voice in the development of child care assistance and other programs through collective bargaining and other joint activities.