

SB 5578 - S AMD 70
By Senator McAuliffe

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1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
2 following:

3 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** It is the intent of the legislature to
4 encourage all family day care providers to join the early achievers
5 program, Washington state's quality rating and improvement system.
6 Provider advancement in the levels of the early achievers program also
7 signifies that provider practices will lead to improved quality of
8 services and child outcomes. While the legislature recognizes that
9 achieving an early achievers program level two demonstrates that a
10 provider has laid the foundation for further advancement, the
11 legislature hopes that providers are able to advance to higher levels
12 on the early achievers pathway in order to increase professionalism and
13 achieve better long-term outcomes for children in care.

14 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 43.215 RCW
15 to read as follows:

16 A family day care provider who as of the effective date of this
17 section has been licensed in operation for five years or longer and
18 against whom there has not been a complaint that resulted in an
19 enforcement action is exempt from any requirement to have a high school
20 diploma or equivalent education until March 31, 2017, however by March
21 31, 2017, the family day care provider must either achieve a high
22 school diploma or equivalent or meet the minimum education requirement
23 by joining the early achievers program, Washington state's quality
24 rating and improvement system."

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1 On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "providers;" strike the
2 remainder of the title and insert "adding a new section to chapter
3 43.215 RCW; and creating a new section."

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