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By Representatives McCaslin, Dolan, Walsh, Ryu, Senn, Volz, Dent, Graham, Shea, Orwall, Lovick, Corry, Eslick, Slatter, and Leavitt

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1 AN ACT Relating to education equivalencies for licensed child
2 care providers; and adding a new section to chapter 43.216 RCW.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 43.216
5 RCW to read as follows:

6 The department must adopt education equivalencies for licensed
7 child care providers. The equivalencies must identify professional
8 experience and skills that may be considered equivalent to education
9 levels required by child care licensing rules. When adopting
10 education equivalencies, the department must consider years of child
11 care or related experience and time spent by a provider engaged in
12 professional development activities. Professional development
13 activities may include, but are not limited to: Participating in
14 professional training opportunities; researching peer-reviewed best
15 practices; and engaging in peer-to-peer mentoring.

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