

2SSB 5237 - S AMD 433

By Senator Padden

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1 On page 27, after line 7, insert the following:

2 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 313.** (1) By July 1, 2022, the department
3 shall provide additional supports to aid interested parties in
4 becoming licensed or certified child care providers.

5 (2) The department shall adopt rules to create a regulatory
6 relief incentive program to increase the number of child care
7 providers. The incentives for potential providers may include:

8 (a) Suspending, delaying, or waiving certain regulations that act
9 as barriers to entry in the child care market;

10 (b) Granting providers a longer period of at least one year to
11 meet licensing requirements;

12 (c) Reevaluating required child-to-staff ratios and minimum
13 indoor space requirements for licensing; and

14 (d) Removing or waiving requirements for licensing as they relate
15 to the early achievers program."

16 On page 51, line 32, after "311" strike ", 312" and insert
17 "through 313"

EFFECT: Adds a new section requiring the Department of Children,
Youth, and Families to (1) provide additional supports to aid
interested parties in becoming licensed or certified child care
providers, and (2) adopt rules to create a regulatory relief
incentive program that may include specified incentives.

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