

HOUSE BILL No. 4324

February 23, 1999, Introduced by Reps. Cherry, Price, Schauer, Martinez, Kelly, LaForge and Prusi and referred to the Committee on Education.

A bill to provide financial encouragement to certain institutions of higher education to establish and operate on-site day care for the children of students who are attending the institution; to establish the duties of certain officials and institutions; and to provide penalties and remedies.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the
2 "college students' children's day care act".

3 Sec. 2. As used in this act:

4 (a) "Child" means an individual under 12 years of age whose
5 parent or legal guardian is a student of an institution of higher
6 education.

7 (b) "Institution of higher education" means an educational
8 institution within the state authorized by law to provide a
9 program of education beyond the high school level.

1 (c) "On-site" means a location not more than 1/2 mile from
2 an institution of higher education.

3 (d) "Semester" means semester or semester equivalent,
4 including a summer semester.

5 (e) "Student" means an individual enrolled in an institution
6 of higher education. Student does not include tenured or
7 tenure-track faculty.

8 Sec. 3. (1) The legislature shall allocate funds appropri-
9 ated to support the establishment and operation of on-site day
10 care for the children of students of institutions of higher edu-
11 cation substantially as provided in this section.

12 (2) For each child of a student of the institution of higher
13 education that received an average of not less than 30 hours per
14 week of on-site day care during a semester, the institution shall
15 receive \$500.00 per semester in addition to other money the
16 institution receives from the state.

17 (3) The institution of higher education shall annually
18 report the number of children described in subsection (2) to the
19 state board of education, the department of education, and the
20 standing appropriations committees of both houses of the legisla-
21 ture not later than December 15 in a manner prescribed by the
22 department of education to be eligible for payment under this act
23 the following year.

24 Sec. 4. An institution of higher education that inaccurately reports or fails to report under section 3 shall be ineligible for payment under this act for the year for which the
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27 inaccurate report or no report was received.