

# Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

<b>Bill Number:</b> 1282 HB	<b>Title:</b> Child care	<b>Agency:</b> 307-Department of Children, Youth, and Families
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## Part I: Estimates

☐ No Fiscal Impact

### Estimated Cash Receipts to:

ACCOUNT	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
General Fund-Federal 001-2	3,000	3,000	6,000	6,000	6,000
<b>Total \$</b>	3,000	3,000	6,000	6,000	6,000

### Estimated Operating Expenditures from:

	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
FTE Staff Years	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2
<b>Account</b>					
General Fund-State 001-1	139,000	132,000	271,000	264,000	264,000
General Fund-Federal 001-2	3,000	3,000	6,000	6,000	6,000
<b>Total \$</b>	142,000	135,000	277,000	270,000	270,000

### Estimated Capital Budget Impact:

NONE

*The cash receipts and expenditure estimates on this page represent the most likely fiscal impact. Factors impacting the precision of these estimates, and alternate ranges (if appropriate), are explained in Part II.*

Check applicable boxes and follow corresponding instructions:

- ☒ If fiscal impact is greater than \$50,000 per fiscal year in the current biennium or in subsequent biennia, complete entire fiscal note form Parts I-V.
- ☐ If fiscal impact is less than \$50,000 per fiscal year in the current biennium or in subsequent biennia, complete this page only (Part I).
- ☐ Capital budget impact, complete Part IV.
- ☐ Requires new rule making, complete Part V.

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## Part II: Narrative Explanation

### II. A - Brief Description Of What The Measure Does That Has Fiscal Impact

*Significant provisions of the bill and any related workload or policy assumptions that have revenue or expenditure impact on the responding agency by section number.*

HB 1282 relates to improving the well-being of children in child care and amends RCW 43.216.325, 43.216.687, and 43.216.700.

Section 1(6) requires the Department of Children, Youth and Families (DCYF) to notify all parents and guardians of children enrolled in a center when the Department has suspended, revoked, or declines the renewal of a child day care center, outdoor nature-based child care provider, or family day care provider.

Section 2(1)(f) requires child care providers to post their Early Achievers Rating in a manner that is clearly visible and takes into account the linguistic needs of parents and staff.

Section 2(1)(g)(i) requires DCYF to create a notice in the form of a poster stating that licensing history, inspection reports, and early achievers rating information for child daycare centers, outdoor nature-based child care providers, and family day care providers is available through the department's website, with clear instructions on how to access that information.

Section 4(1)(a) requires DCYF to assess and modify website pages to increase accessibility of child care licensing and early achievers rating information.

Section 4(2) requires DCYF to review the minimum liability limits for day care insurance and recommend updated limits, and report to the appropriate committees of the legislature with its recommendations by December 1, 2025.

### II. B - Cash receipts Impact

*Cash receipts impact of the legislation on the responding agency with the cash receipts provisions identified by section number and when appropriate, the detail of the revenue sources. Description of the factual basis of the assumptions and the method by which the cash receipts impact is derived. Explanation of how workload assumptions translate into estimates. Distinguished between one time and ongoing functions.*

IV-E, the federal reimbursement rate 13%. The Agency estimates eligible reimbursements of \$6,000.

### II. C - Expenditures

*Agency expenditures necessary to implement this legislation (or savings resulting from this legislation), with the provisions of the legislation that result in the expenditures (or savings) identified by section number. Description of the factual basis of the assumptions and the method by which the expenditure impact is derived. Explanation of how workload assumptions translate into cost estimates. Distinguished between one time and ongoing functions.*

DCYF estimates \$277,000 (\$271,000 GF-S) and 1.0 Full Time Equivalent Staff (FTEs), in the 2025-2027 Biennial Budget.

Sections 1(6) and 4(2)

Total costs are \$277,000 and 1.0 FTEs. Costs are ongoing, beginning in FY26.

-- 1.0 Social and Health Program Consultant 2 (SHPC2) and \$120,000 in FY26 and \$113,000 in FY27, ongoing for a statewide licensor to contact all of the child care facilities to gather the contact information of parents when a facility is being revoked, suspended, or not renewed. This FTE will also contact each parent/family of the enrolled child/children to inform them of the enforcement action and will provide all required reviews, recommendations, and reporting to the legislature regarding minimum liability limits for day care insurance.

This assumption is based on the licensed facilities and enrollment in 2024. As of 2024, there were an estimated 6,000 facilities inclusive of child care centers, family child care homes, outdoor nature based programs, school-age programs, and of those facilities, 39 had enforcement actions against them.

As of January 10, 2025, data taken from WA Compass, the license capacity and count include:

Child Care Centers: License capacity of 129,645 with a count of 1,762 = 74 children per facility

Family Homes: License capacity of 36,603 with a count of 3,776 = 10 children per facility

Outdoor Nature-Based: License capacity of 440 with a count of 20 = 22 children per facility

School-Age Program: License capacity of 35,541 with a count of 623 = 57 children per facility

If the number of providers increases in 2025, this increase in providers could potentially result in an increase in enforcement action in coming years.

-- 0.2 FTE and \$44,000 (\$38,000 GF-S) administrative support rate of 18.43% is applied to all FTE costs to fund program support functions that scale with the FTEs requested. The administrative support rate provides critical back office supports in areas such as, but not limited to: Human Resources, Information Technology, and Fiscal. This cost is represented in object T of this fiscal note.

## Part III: Expenditure Detail

### III. A - Operating Budget Expenditures

Account	Account Title	Type	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
001-1	General Fund	State	139,000	132,000	271,000	264,000	264,000
001-2	General Fund	Federal	3,000	3,000	6,000	6,000	6,000
<b>Total \$</b>			142,000	135,000	277,000	270,000	270,000

### III. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
FTE Staff Years	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2
A-Salaries and Wages	80,000	80,000	160,000	160,000	160,000
B-Employee Benefits	29,000	29,000	58,000	58,000	58,000
C-Professional Service Contracts					
E-Goods and Other Services	2,000	2,000	4,000	4,000	4,000
G-Travel	2,000	2,000	4,000	4,000	4,000
J-Capital Outlays	7,000		7,000		
M-Inter Agency/Fund Transfers					
N-Grants, Benefits & Client Services					
P-Debt Service					
S-Interagency Reimbursements					
T-Intra-Agency Reimbursements	22,000	22,000	44,000	44,000	44,000
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<b>Total \$</b>	142,000	135,000	277,000	270,000	270,000

### III. C - Operating FTE Detail: *List FTEs by classification and corresponding annual compensation. Totals need to agree with total FTEs in Part I and Part IIIA*

Job Classification	Salary	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
Administrative Support Rate	22,000	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Social & Health Program Consultant 2	80,464	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
<b>Total FTEs</b>		1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2

III. D - Expenditures By Program (optional)

Program	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
Early Learning (030)	120,000	113,000	233,000	226,000	226,000
Program Support (090)	22,000	22,000	44,000	44,000	44,000
Total \$	142,000	135,000	277,000	270,000	270,000

Part IV: Capital Budget Impact

IV. A - Capital Budget Expenditures

NONE

IV. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

NONE

IV. C - Capital Budget Breakout

Acquisition and construction costs not reflected elsewhere on the fiscal note and description of potential financing methods.

NONE

IV. D - Capital FTE Detail: FTEs listed by classification and corresponding annual compensation. Totals agree with total FTEs in Part IVB.

NONE

Part V: New Rule Making Required

Provisions of the bill that require the agency to adopt new administrative rules or repeal/revise existing rules.