

# House File 501 - Introduced

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## A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to licensed and registered child care provider  
2 reimbursement rates under the state child care assistance  
3 program.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 237A.13, subsection 3, Code 2019, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3 3. ~~The~~ For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019, and  
4 each fiscal year thereafter, the department shall set licensed  
5 and registered provider reimbursement rates, as authorized  
6 by appropriations enacted for payment of the reimbursements,  
7 at the one-hundredth percentile of the most recent statewide  
8 reimbursement rate survey. The department shall conduct a  
9 statewide reimbursement rate survey to compile information on  
10 each county and the survey shall be conducted at least every  
11 two years. The department shall set rates in a manner so as  
12 to provide incentives for an unregistered provider to become  
13 registered.

14 EXPLANATION

15 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
16 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

17 This bill relates to licensed and registered child care  
18 provider reimbursement rates under the state child care  
19 assistance program.

20 The bill requires the department of human services to set  
21 licensed and registered child care provider reimbursement rates  
22 for the fiscal year that begins July 1, 2019, and each fiscal  
23 year thereafter, at the 100th percentile of the most recent  
24 statewide reimbursement rate survey, which is conducted at  
25 least every two years.