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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to state child care assistance reimbursement
2 rates.

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

1 Section 1. Section 237A.13, subsection 5, Code 2023, is
2 amended by striking the subsection and inserting in lieu
3 thereof the following:

4 5. The department shall reimburse a child care provider
5 who provides child care to a child participating in the state
6 child care assistance program at the rate the provider would
7 typically charge a private-pay family for child care.

8 EXPLANATION

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

11 This bill replaces the ability for child care providers
12 to collect additional fees from families participating in
13 the state child care assistance program (CCA) if the child
14 care provider's private-pay rate is more than the state's CCA
15 reimbursement rate with the requirement that the department
16 of health and human services reimburse a child care provider
17 at the rate the child care provider would typically charge a
18 private-pay family for child care. Under current law, child
19 care providers are reimbursed under the CCA at a rate equal
20 to the lesser of the child care provider's private-pay rate
21 or a rate set by the state varying on the type of child care
22 provider, the age of the child, and the child care provider's
23 rating under the quality rating system.