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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the eligibility of children of a minor parent
2 for the state child care assistance program.

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

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1 Section 1. Section 237A.13, Code 2025, is amended by adding
2 the following new subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 2A. Notwithstanding subsections 1 and 2, if
4 at least one of a child's parents is under eighteen years of age,
5 the child shall automatically be eligible for state child care
6 assistance.

7 Sec. 2. Section 237A.13, subsection 8, Code 2025, is amended
8 by adding the following new paragraph:

9 NEW PARAGRAPH. e. A child that is eligible for state child
10 care assistance under subsection 2A.

11 EXPLANATION

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

14 This bill relates to the eligibility of children of a minor
15 parent for the state child care assistance (CCA) program.

16 The bill allows the children of at least one minor parent
17 to be automatically eligible for CCA irrespective of other
18 eligibility requirements. The bill prohibits the department of
19 health and human services from applying waiting list requirements
20 to the children for the purposes of CCA.