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**S 869. STUDY/AFTER SCHOOL CHILD CARE PROGRAMS.** Filed 3/25/09. AUTHORIZING A JOINT LEGISLATIVE STUDY COMMISSION ON AFTER SCHOOL CHILD CARE AND RELATED PROGRAMS AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Creates the 12-member Joint Legislative Study Commission on After School Child Care and Related Programs (Commission). Provides for six members appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate (President Pro Tem) and six members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives (Speaker). Provides guidelines for the membership and the operation f the Commission, including staffing and the filling of vacancies. Directs the Commission to: (1) study after school child care and related programs to assess the benefits and shortfalls of the various programs; (2) consider needs adjustments, possible program consolidations, and reprioritization of funds; (3) consider how these programs affect economic development today and in the future; and (4) review any other matter that the Commission deems relevant to its task. Directs the Commission to report its findings, recommendations, and legislative proposals to the 2010 Regular Session of the 2009 General Assembly. Appropriates \$25,000 for 2009-10 from the General Fund to the General Assembly to fund the work of the Commission. Effective July 1, 2009.

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