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HOUSE BILL DRH40481-LUa-119 (03/23)

Short Title: Subsidy Market Rate Adjust./Tier 3 Counties. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Malone.

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO INCREASE THE CHILD CARE SUBSIDY MARKET RATES  
3 RECOMMENDED BY THE 2015 CHILD CARE MARKET RATE STUDY FOR AGES  
4 THREE THROUGH FIVE IN TIER THREE COUNTIES.  
5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:  
6 **SECTION 1.** Beginning July 1, 2017, the Department of Health and Human  
7 Services, Division of Child Development and Early Education, shall increase the child care  
8 subsidy market rates to the rates recommended by the 2015 Child Care Market Rate Study for  
9 ages three through five years of age in three-, four-, and five-star-rated child care centers and  
10 homes in tier three counties. For purposes of this act, a tier three county shall have the same  
11 designation as established by the N.C. Department of Commerce's 2015 County Tier  
12 Designations.  
13 **SECTION 2.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of  
14 Health and Human Services, Division of Child Development and Early Education, the sum of  
15 twelve million nine hundred thousand dollars (\$12,900,000) in nonrecurring funds for the  
16 2017-2018 fiscal year to provide funds to increase the child care subsidy market rates  
17 recommended by the 2015 Child Care Market Rate Study for ages three through five years of  
18 age in three-, four-, and five-star-rated child care centers and homes in tier three counties.  
19 **SECTION 3.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2017.

