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Short Title: (Public) Child Care 2018 Market Study Rates. Representative Clemmons. Sponsors: Referred to: A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 2 AN ACT DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO 3 USE A PORTION OF THE FUNDS APPROPRIATED UNDER THE CHILD CARE AND 4 DEVELOPMENT FUND BLOCK GRANT FROM THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) TO TEMPORARILY INCREASE RATES FOR CHILD CARE SUBSIDY 6 FOR ALL AGE GROUPS OF CHILDREN ENROLLED IN THREE-, FOUR-, AND FIVE-STAR RATED CHILD CARE CENTERS AND HOMES TO THOSE 8 RECOMMENDED IN THE 2018 CHILD CARE MARKET RATE STUDY. 9 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: 10 **SECTION 1.** Section 9L.2(b)(1)a. of S.L. 2021-180 reads as rewritten: "a. A minimum of two hundred six million dollars (\$206,000,000) but no more than two hundred fifteen million dollars (\$215,000,000) to (i) 12 13 reduce the waitlist for children eligible for subsidized child care who are in foster care and (ii) after addressing the waitlist under item (i) of 14 this sub-subdivision, work toward reducing the waitlist for children 16 eligible for subsidized child care. Additionally, the Division shall use a portion of these funds to temporarily increase the child care subsidy reimbursement rates to those recommended in the 2018 Child Care 18 19 Market Rate Study."

**SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2022.

