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I N S E N A T E

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Introduced by Sen. AVELLA -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Children and Families

AN ACT directing the commissioner of the office of children and family services to conduct a study to evaluate the costs associated with the provision of child day care services

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. 1. The commissioner of the office of children and family services shall contract with an external research organization to conduct a child care cost study to evaluate the cost of providing child day care in New York State. The study shall also evaluate the cost of child day care related to each level of rating under the Quality Stars NY Initiative.

(a) The type of settings included in the study shall be subject to funds available but include, at a minimum, child care day care centers, group family day care homes and family day care homes.

(b) The methodology used in the study shall take into account factors influencing costs, including but not limited to: geographical region, type of setting, age of children served, qualifications of staff, educational curriculum, the number of children served and staff to child ratios.

(c) Data collected shall provide information on the breakdown of all sources of revenue and personnel and non-personnel expenses, for each type of child day care program setting included in the study.

2. The commissioner of the office of children and family services shall submit a report detailing the findings of the child day care cost study to the governor, the temporary president of the senate, the speaker of the assembly, the chairperson of the senate committee on children and families, and the chairperson of the assembly committee on children and families on or before July 1, 2017.

S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [ ] is old law to be omitted.

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