

STATE OF NEW YORK

6237

2025-2026 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

March 7, 2025

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

AN ACT to amend the social services law, in relation to qualifications
for employees of child day care centers

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assem-
bly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subdivision 2 of section 390-a of the
2 social services law, as amended by chapter 416 of the laws of 2000, is
3 amended to read as follows:

4 (b) establish relevant minimal experiential and educational qualifica-
5 tions for employees and directors of child day care centers or head
6 start day care center programs; provided (i) that where a person
7 possesses an associate's degree in early childhood, child development or
8 related field, a child development associate credential or other
9 office-recognized credential specific to the preschool developmental
10 period, no further experience relating to childcare shall be required to
11 be qualified as a group teacher for a preschool class; and (ii) where a
12 person possesses an associate's degree in early childhood, child devel-
13 opment or a related field, and one year of experience related to caring
14 for infants and toddlers, or an infant and toddler child care and educa-
15 tion credential, infant toddler child development associate credential
16 or other office-recognized credential specific to the infant/toddler
17 developmental period, no further experience relating to childcare shall
18 be required to be qualified as a group teacher for an infant or toddler
19 class;

20 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

LBD10349-01-5