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## IN SENATE

January 8, 2025

Introduced by Sens. MAY, BRISPORT, JACKSON -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to creating a single, streamlined process whereby combination pre-kindergarten and daycare programs may be certified to operate

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

1 Section 1. The education law is amended by adding a new section 3602-  
2 eee to read as follows:

3 § 3602-eee. Combination pre-kindergarten and daycare programs. 1. For  
4 the purposes of this section, the following terms shall have the follow-  
5 ing meanings:

6 (a) "Pre-kindergarten program" means any pre-kindergarten program  
7 operating pursuant to section thirty-six hundred two-e or thirty-six  
8 hundred two-ee of this part, or any other rule or regulation promulgated  
9 by the department.

10 (b) "Daycare program" means any child day care, as such term is  
11 defined by section three hundred ninety of the social services law.

12 2. The department, in conjunction with the office of children and  
13 family services, shall create a single, streamlined process whereby a  
14 facility or program operating both a pre-kindergarten program and a  
15 daycare program may apply for and receive any certification, licensing,  
16 or other requirement otherwise necessary to operate a pre-kindergarten  
17 program or daycare program under the laws of the state.

18 3. The department and the office of children and family services shall  
19 be authorized to promulgate any rules and/or regulations necessary to  
20 effectuate the provisions of this section.

21 § 2. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall  
22 have become a law. Effective immediately, the addition, amendment and/or  
23 repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implementation of  
24 this act on its effective date are authorized to be made and completed  
25 on or before such effective date.

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

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