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HOUSE BILL 1728

Short Title: Leg. Study DCD, Child Comm/Funds.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Davis; and Capps.

Referred to: Rules, Calendar and Operations of the House.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO REQUIRE THAT THE LEGISLATIVE STUDY COMMISSION ON CHILD CARE REVIEW THE MAKEUP, FUNCTIONING, AND EFFECTIVENESS OF THE DIVISION OF CHILD DEVELOPMENT, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, AND OF THE CHILD CARE COMMISSION, AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. (a) The Legislative Study Commission on Child Care shall review the makeup, functioning, and effectiveness of the Division of Child Development, Department of Health and Human Services, and of the Child Care Commission of the Department of Health and Human Services to determine whether to recommend changes in the Division of Child Development or in the Child Care Commission or both. The Division is established in the Department of Health and Human Services pursuant to G.S. 143B-138.1 and is the executive agency charged with administering Article 7 of Chapter 110 of the General Statutes, with administering any other child care programs and services that fall under the jurisdiction of the Department of Health and Human Services, and with providing clerical and other services required by the Commission pursuant to G.S.143B-168.4(b). The Commission is established and organized pursuant to Part 10A of Article 3 of Chapter 143B of the General Statutes and is the executive body charged

1 with rulemaking and other duties for Article 7 child care facilities, as set out in G.S. 110-
2 90, 143B-168.3, and 143B-168.5.

3 (b) This study shall focus on the issue of whether the Division of Child
4 Development and the Child Care Commission effectively and fairly serve the best
5 interests of the taxpayers of North Carolina, the child care providers of North Carolina,
6 and the children of North Carolina who are in child care.

7 (c) The Legislative Study Commission on Child Care shall report the
8 results of its study, together with any legislative or policy recommendations, in its regular
9 report to the 1999 General Assembly.

10 Section 2. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the General
11 Assembly the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) for the 1998-99 fiscal year for
12 the Legislative Study Commission on Child Care to implement the additional study
13 required by this act.

14 Section 3. This act is effective when it becomes law.