



General Assembly

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**Proposed Bill No. 5540**

LCO No. 1577



Referred to Committee on EDUCATION

Introduced by:

REP. COOK, 65th Dist.

REP. PARIS, 145th Dist.

REP. FARRAR K., 20th Dist.

REP. SANCHEZ E., 24th Dist.

REP. COMEY, 102nd Dist.

**AN ACT CONCERNING ACCESS TO AFFORDABLE EARLY  
CHILDHOOD EDUCATION.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That the general statutes be amended to (1) increase the
- 2 reimbursement rates for home-based and center-based providers of
- 3 early childhood education, (2) address wages for teachers and providers
- 4 of early childhood education, and (3) address staff recruitment and
- 5 retention issues in early childhood education.

**Statement of Purpose:**

To increase reimbursement rates, address wages, and staff recruitment and retention in early childhood education with the goal of expanding access to affordable early childhood education.