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#### STATE $\mathbf{OF}$ RHODE ISLAND

# IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### **JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2017**

### AN ACT

#### RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES-CHILD CARE-STATE SUBSIDIES

Introduced By: Representative Anastasia P. Williams

<u>Date Introduced:</u> February 16, 2017

Referred To: House Finance

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 40-6.2 of the General Laws entitled "Child Care-State Subsidies" 2 is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section: 3 40-6.2-6. Status of copayments-Database established.

4 (a) The department of human services shall establish a searchable online database, that shall be accessible to all certified family-child care providers, for the purpose of monitoring the 5 status of all copayments owed by families receiving child care assistance. 6

7 (b) Any certified family-child care providers receiving child care assistance payments 8 shall be permitted to access the database at no cost.

9 (c) Any certified family-child care providers not receiving child care assistance 10 payments shall pay a reasonable fee, to be determined by the department of human services, to 11 access the database.

12 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect January 1, 2017.

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# **EXPLANATION**

# BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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3	monitoring the status of all copayments owed by families receiving child care assistance. Any
4	certified family-child care providers receiving child care assistance payments would be permitted
5	to access the database at no cost. Any certified family-child care providers not receiving child
6	care assistance payments would pay a reasonable fee, to be determined by the department of
7	human services, to access the database.
8	This act would take effect on January 1, 2017.

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