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HOUSE BILL 132

By Love

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 71, relative to child care subsidy payments.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE: SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 71-3-502(j)(3)(D), is amended by redesignating the current subdivision (j)(3)(D) as (j)(3)(D)(i) and inserting the following subdivision (j)(3)(D)(ii):

Beginning August 1, 2019, and each year thereafter, the department shall provide a bonus subsidy payment equal to the twelve-month average of the total reimbursement from the previous year to each participating child care agency with a child care quality rating of three (3) stars that accepts the department's child care assistance subsidy payments, subject to available funding in the department's budget. SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2019, the public welfare requiring it.