

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0025

Child care development fund.

Sponsored by: Joint Labor, Health and Social Services
Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to public assistance and social services;
2 providing a schedule of eligibility and copayments under
3 the child care and development fund; providing for grants
4 to child care facilities under the program as specified;
5 and providing for an effective date.

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7 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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9 **Section 1.** W.S. 42-2-103 by creating a new subsection
10 (f) is amended to read:

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12 **42-2-103. Provision of assistance and services;**
13 **duties of department; burial assistance; state supplemental**
14 **security income program.**

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1 (f) In administering the child care and development
2 fund provided for in the federal Child Care and Development
3 Block Grant Act, and subject to approval of a state plan
4 amendment by the administration of children and families of
5 the United States department of health and human services,
6 the department shall:

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8 (i) Annually by April 1 establish the hourly
9 copayment required to be paid by parents for each eligible
10 child, subject to the following:

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12 (A) Households with income at or below one
13 hundred percent (100%) of the federal poverty level shall
14 not be required to make a copayment;

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16 (B) For households with income above one
17 hundred percent (100%) up to two hundred twenty-five
18 percent (225%) of the federal poverty level, the copayment
19 shall be calculated based on the following table. For each
20 category of income in the first column, the parents' hourly
21 copayment per child shall be determined by multiplying the
22 annual income dollar amount for a family of two (2) that
23 corresponds with the percentage of federal poverty level in
24 the second column by the multiplier in the third column,

then dividing by two thousand three hundred forty (2,340),
the annual number of hours of child care required by a
full-time working parent, and rounding the result to the
nearest five cents (\$.05):

<u>Household Category</u>	<u>Federal Poverty</u>	<u>Multiplier</u>
<u>of Income</u>	<u>Level Income Factor</u>	
<u>101% - 125%</u>	<u>113%</u>	<u>1.25%</u>
<u>126% - 150%</u>	<u>138%</u>	<u>2.00%</u>
<u>151% - 175%</u>	<u>163%</u>	<u>10%</u>
<u>176% - 200%</u>	<u>188%</u>	<u>12%</u>
<u>201% - 225%</u>	<u>213%</u>	<u>15%</u>

(C) In determining eligibility, the
department shall use the most recent federal poverty
guidelines for the applicant's household size and income.
In determining the hourly copayment for each eligible
child, the department shall use the appropriate category of
income in which the household qualifies.

(ii) From funds available under the American
Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, any funds not needed
for completion of the electronic benefit transfer system

1 shall be used to make grants for materials and supplies to
2 child care facilities, provided however that a facility
3 receiving a grant shall agree in writing to provide not
4 less than twenty-five percent (25%) of the facility's
5 available care to persons determined eligible under
6 paragraph (i) of this subsection, for a period commensurate
7 with the amount of the grant as determined by rule and
8 regulation of the department, or to repay any monies
9 granted under this paragraph to the state of Wyoming plus
10 interest at the rate of ten percent (10%) per annum;

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12 (iii) If the department determines that
13 eligibility for other social services programs changes in
14 ways that require a change in the formula provided by
15 paragraph (i) of this subsection, the department shall
16 report the change together with recommended legislation to
17 the joint labor health and social services interim
18 committee.

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20 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2010.

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22 (END)