

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate House Comm: RCS

The Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs (Wise) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment

Delete lines 336 - 387

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and insert:

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(Substantial rewording of section. See

s. 402.3051, F.S., for present text.)

411.01013 Prevailing market rate schedule.-

- (1) As used in this section, the term:
- (a) "Market rate" means the price that a child care provider charges for daily, weekly, or monthly child care services.
 - (b) "Prevailing market rate" means the annually determined

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75th percentile of a reasonable frequency distribution of the market rate in a predetermined geographic market at which child care providers charge a person for child care services.

- (2) The Agency for Workforce Innovation shall establish procedures for the adoption of a prevailing market rate schedule. The schedule must include, at a minimum, county-bycounty rates:
- (a) At the prevailing market rate, plus the maximum rate, for child care providers that hold a Gold Seal Quality Care designation under s. 402.281.
- (b) At the prevailing market rate for child care providers that do not hold a Gold Seal Quality Care designation.
- (3) The prevailing market rate schedule, at a minimum, must:
- (a) Differentiate rates by type, including, but not limited to, a child care provider that holds a Gold Seal Quality Care designation under s. 402.281, a child care facility licensed under s. 402.305, a public or nonpublic school exempt from licensure under s. 402.3025, a faith-based child care facility exempt from licensure under s. 402.316 that does not hold a Gold Seal Quality Care designation, a large family child care home licensed under s. 402.3131, a family day care home licensed or registered under s. 402.313, or an after-school program that is not defined as child care under rules adopted pursuant to s. 402.3045.
- (b) Differentiate rates by the type of child care services provided for children with special needs or risk categories, infants, toddlers, preschool-age children, and school-age children.

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- (c) Differentiate rates between full-time and part-time child care services.
- (d) Consider discounted rates for child care services for multiple children in a single family.
- (4) The prevailing market rate schedule must be based exclusively on the prices charged for child care services. If a conflict exists between this subsection and federal requirements, the federal requirements shall control.
- (5) The prevailing market rate shall be considered by an early learning coalition in the adoption of a payment schedule in accordance with s. 411.01(5)(e)2.
- (6) The Agency for Workforce Innovation may contract with one or more qualified entities to administer this section and provide support and technical assistance for child care providers.
- (7) The Agency for Workforce Innovation may adopt rules pursuant to ss. 120.536(1) and 120.54 to administer this section.