



LEGISLATIVE UPDATE / March 27, 2018

Welcome to the Child Care Aware Legislative Update. This narrative update, along with our Bill Tracker, will be posted each **Tuesday** (reflecting activity through the previous Friday) on the <u>Child Care Aware of Minnesota website.</u>

Each week we will provide a brief overview of bills that have been introduced, action that has been taken at the committee level or on the floor, and any other pertinent news related to **early care and education and school age care** issues.

If you have additions to recommend to the bill tracker, please contact Ann McCully.

OVERVIEW

This was **the first deadline** week at the Legislature. For bills to continue moving through the process, they needed to be heard in the House or Senate Policy Committee to which they were referred by Thursday, March 22. For bills that met the first deadline, their companion bill must now be heard in the other body **by Friday, March 29** to progress.

COMMITTEE ACTIVITY

- The House Health and Human Services Reform Committee heard HF 3015-Quam (correction order posting), HF 3205-Peterson (changes to CCAP), HF 3246-Moran (trauma-informed policy task force, HF 3253-Franson (positive supports training exemption), HF 3403-Peterson (child care licensing), HF 3640-Albright (background checks), HF 3778-Peterson (changes to CCAP), HF 4094-Franson (family child care training requirements)
- The House Health and Human Services Finance Committee heard HF 3573-Albright (background checks)
- The House Education Innovation Committee heard HF 3315-Erickson (education omnibus policy bill)
- House Education Finance Committee heard HF 1708-Knoblach (Promise Neighborhoods), HF 3206-Fenton (Grow Your Own program), HF 3354-Haley (education partnerships), HF 3594-Koznick (Increase Teachers of Color Act)
- House Tax Committee heard HF 3093-Urdahl (master's degree tax credit)
- House Civil Law Committee heard HF 2780-Quam (background checks), HF 3573-Alrbright (background studies)
- Senate E-12 Policy Committee heard SF3086-Pratt (MDE policy bill)

COMMITTEE DEADLINES

- **Friday, March 29:** Committees must act favorably on bills, or companion bills, that met the first deadline in the other house.
- Friday, April 20: Committees must act favorably on major appropriation and finance bills.

BILLS THAT HAVE MET THE FIRST DEADLINE:

These bills have met the first deadline in at least one body of the Legislature (indicated **in bold**) and their companion bill will need to meet the second deadline of **March 29** in the other body to progress independently. **All other bills introduced to date can be found on the Bill Tracker.**

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

- Background study provisions modified (HF 2780-Quam/SF 3731-Nelson)
- Correction order posting requirements for child care licensing modified (HF 3015-Quam/SF 3508-Nelson)
- Child care provisions related to homeless families modified (HF 3205-Peterson/SF 2930-Lourey)
- Task force on childhood trauma-informed policy and practices established, and report required (HF 3246-Moran/SF 3388-Hayden)
- Positive support strategies training rule child care providers exemption (HF 3253-Franson/SF 2685-Lang)
- Child care licensing provisions modified (HF 3403-Peterson/SF 3310-Weber)
- Family child care and legal nonlicensed child care program background study requirements modified (HF 3573-Albright)
- Child Care provisions related to families experiencing homelessness modified (HF 3778-Peterson)
- Family and group family child care training requirements modified (HF 4094-Franson)
- Human services background study requirements modifications; national criminal history record check (SF 2683-Kiffmeyer)

E-12 EDUCATION

- Community education revenue program funding increased, and minimum population guarantee increased (HF 625-Youakim) Introduced in 2017
- World's best workforce performance measures and reports modified (HF 1420-Erickson) introduced in 2017
- Promise Neighborhood of Central Minnesota programming expansion grant authorized, report required, and money appropriated (HF 1708-Knoblach) introduced in 2017
- Grow Your Own pathways to teacher licensure program funding increased, and money appropriated (HF 3206-Fenton/SF 3340-Pappas)
- MDE policy bill (HF 3315-Erickson/SF 3086-Pratt)
- Education partnership program modification and future grant priority establishment (HF 3354-Haley/SF 3012-Pratt)
- Increase Teachers of Color Act strengthened (HF 3594-Koznick/SF 3263-Anderson, P.)

TAXES/CAPITAL INVESTMENT

- Child Care Facilities Property Tax Exemption provided (HF 2834-Gruenhagen/SF 2874-Newman)
- Teacher's master's degree tax credit eligibility modified (HF 3093-Urdahl/SF 3468-Abeler)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Legislative Recess – March 30-April 8