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LEGISLATIVE BILL 335

Introduced by Speaker Scheer, 19; at the request of the Governor.

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Committee: Health and Human Services

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to child care; to amend section 43-536,
- 2 Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating
- 3 to a rates of reimbursement market survey; and to repeal the
- 4 original section.
- 5 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. Section 43-536, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
2 amended to read:

3 43-536 In determining the rate of reimbursement for child care, the
4 Department of Health and Human Services shall conduct a market rate
5 survey of the child care providers in the state. The department shall
6 adjust the reimbursement rate for child care every odd-numbered year,
7 except 2017, at a rate not less than the sixtieth percentile and not to
8 exceed the seventy-fifth percentile of the current market rate survey,
9 except that (1) nationally accredited child care providers may be
10 reimbursed at higher rates and (2) an applicable child care or early
11 childhood education program, as defined in section 71-1954, that is
12 participating in the quality rating and improvement system and has
13 received a rating of step three or higher under the Step Up to Quality
14 Child Care Act may be reimbursed at higher rates based upon the program's
15 quality scale rating under the quality rating and improvement system.

16 Sec. 2. Original section 43-536, Reissue Revised Statutes of
17 Nebraska, is repealed.