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1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 411

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend Senate Bill 411 by replacing
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The Child Care Act of 1969 is amended by adding
5 Section 6.5 as follows:

6 (225 ILCS 10/6.5 new)

7 Sec. 6.5. Qualifications for early childhood teachers.

8 (a) Until June 30, 2030, a licensed day care center may
9 hire an individual who is in the process of completing the
10 educational requirements set forth in 89 Ill. Adm. Code
11 407.140(c) as an Interim Conditional Early Childhood Teacher.
12 An individual hired pursuant to this Section shall provide
13 documentation that shows that the individual has completed the
14 Gateways to Opportunity Level 1 Credential and is enrolled in
15 courses that meet the requirements set forth in 89 Ill. Adm.
16 Code 407.140(c). The individual shall be enrolled in an

1 accredited college or university or an approved credentialing
2 program, and the required courses may include online courses.

3 (b) An Interim Conditional Early Childhood Teacher with
4 any of the following qualifications is exempt from the
5 educational requirements set forth in 89 Ill. Adm. Code
6 407.140(c):

7 (1) At least one year or 1,560 clock hours of child
8 development experience in a nursery school, kindergarten,
9 or licensed day care center and at least 30 semester hours
10 or 45 quarter hours of credits from an accredited college
11 or university with 3 semester hours or 4.5 quarter hours
12 in courses related directly to child care or child
13 development from birth to age 6. A person who qualifies
14 under this paragraph (1) shall obtain the remaining 3
15 semester hours or 4.5 quarter hours during the following
16 12-month period.

17 (2) At least 2 years or 3,120 clock hours of child
18 development experience in a nursery school, kindergarten,
19 or licensed day care center and at least 30 semester hours
20 or 45 quarter hours of credits from an accredited college
21 or university without the 6 semester hours or 9 quarter
22 hours in courses related directly to child care or child
23 development from birth to age 6. A person who qualifies
24 under this paragraph (2) shall obtain the 6 semester hours
25 or 9 quarter hours during the following 12-month period.

26 (3) Employment with the program for at least one year

1 or 1,560 clock hours and progress toward the completion of
2 a Department-approved credentialing program in accordance
3 with 89 Ill. Adm. Code 407.Appendix G. A person who
4 qualifies under this paragraph (3) shall complete the
5 Department-approved credentialing program during the
6 following 18-month period.

7 (c) Interim Conditional Early Childhood Teachers shall not
8 make up more than 40% of the total teachers employed by a
9 licensed day care center.

10 (d) Supervision of an Interim Conditional Early Childhood
11 Teacher shall be provided by the director of the day care
12 center.

13 (e) To be hired as an Interim Conditional Early Childhood
14 Teacher under the qualifications set forth in subsection (b),
15 an individual must have accumulated the necessary clock hours
16 at a State-licensed day care center.

17 (f) After an Interim Conditional Early Childhood Teacher
18 reaches the end of the interim conditional employment period,
19 the director of the day care center shall submit documentation
20 to the Department or the Department of Early Childhood,
21 whichever is applicable, demonstrating that the individual
22 meets the requirements set forth in 89 Ill. Adm. Code
23 407.140(c).".