

AMENDMENTS TO LB547

Introduced by Health and Human Services.

1 1. On page 2, line 15, strike "Beginning" through "2015-16" and
2 insert "(i) For the biennium beginning July 1, 2015, and ending June 30,
3 2017"; in line 19 strike beginning with the period through "2017-18" and
4 insert ";

5 (ii) For the biennium beginning July 1, 2017, and ending June 30,
6 2019"; in line 22 strike beginning with the period through "in" and
7 insert "; and

8 (iii) For"; and strike line 31 and insert the following new
9 subsection:

10 "(4)(a)(i) For the biennium beginning July 1, 2015, and ending June
11 30, 2017, the increase from four percent to seven percent in reservation
12 of federal funds for activities relating to the quality of child care
13 services described in subdivision (3)(a)(i) of this section shall be
14 allocated for quality rating and improvement system incentives and
15 support under the Step Up to Quality Child Care Act.

16 (ii) For the biennium beginning July 1, 2017, and ending June 30,
17 2019, the increase from seven to eight percent in the reservation of
18 federal funds for activities relating to the quality of child care
19 services described in subdivision (3)(a)(ii) of this section, plus the
20 percentage allocated as described in subdivision (4)(a)(i) of this
21 section, which together total four percent, shall be allocated for
22 quality rating and improvement system incentives and support under the
23 Step Up to Quality Child Care Act.

24 (iii) For fiscal year 2019-20, the increase from eight percent to
25 nine percent in the reservation of federal funds for activities relating
26 to the quality of child care services described in subdivision (3)(a)
27 (iii) of this section, plus the percentage allocated as described in

1 subdivision (4)(a)(ii) of this section, which together total five
2 percent, shall be allocated for quality rating and improvement system
3 incentives and support under the Step Up to Quality Child Care Act.

4 (iv) For each fiscal year after fiscal year 2019-20, five percent of
5 federal funds provided to the State of Nebraska pursuant to the Child
6 Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990, 42 U.S.C. 9857 et seq., as
7 such act and sections existed on January 1, 2015, which have been
8 reserved for activities relating to the quality of child care services as
9 described in subdivision (3)(a)(iii) of this section, shall be allocated
10 for quality rating and improvement system incentives and support under
11 the Step Up to Quality Child Care Act.

12 (b) For fiscal year 2015-16 and each fiscal year thereafter, the
13 three-percent reservation of federal funds for activities relating to the
14 quality of care for infants and toddlers described in subdivision (3)(b)
15 of this section shall be allocated to the Early Childhood Education
16 Endowment Cash Fund created pursuant to section 79-1104.01 to provide
17 grants to programs described in section 79-1104.02 that enter into
18 agreements with child care providers.

19 (c) Funds distributed pursuant to this subsection shall comply with
20 federal regulations contained in 45 C.F.R. 98.11, as such regulations
21 existed on January 1, 2015."

22 2. On page 3, strike lines 1 through 14.