

Number of childcare programs participating in aim high

Number of children enrolled in childcare programs participating in aim high

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$1,100.0 contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2002 shall revert to the general fund.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

CYFD states they will need one full-time equivalent position and some funds for operating expenses to expand the program. The needed funds are not identified. Sufficient funds are included in the bill to meet this need.

DUPLICATION

HB 24 would appropriate \$500.0 for expansion of childcare programs in rural areas.

POSSIBLE QUESTIONS

1. How many childcare providers are waiting training and assistance so they can participate in the Aim High program?
2. What areas of the state have the most need for additional early childhood programs?

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