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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Early Childhood Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to child care; modifying eligibility requirements for grants to child care
1.3 providers; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2021 Supplement,
1.4 section 119B.195, subdivision 4.

1.5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2021 Supplement, section 119B.195, subdivision 4, is
1.7 amended to read:

1.8 Subd. 4. **Eligibility.** (a) To be eligible for a grant, an applicant must:

1.9 ~~(1) be licensed to provide child care or work for a licensed child care program;~~

1.10 ~~(2)~~ (1) work directly with children at least 30 hours per week;

1.11 ~~(3) have worked in the applicant's current position for at least 12 months;~~

1.12 ~~(4) agree to work in the early childhood care and education field for at least 12 months~~

1.13 ~~upon receiving a grant under this section;~~

1.14 ~~(5) have a career lattice step of five or higher;~~

1.15 ~~(6)~~ (2) have a current membership with the Minnesota quality improvement and registry

1.16 tool;

1.17 ~~(7)~~ (3) not be a current teacher education and compensation helps scholarship recipient;

1.18 ~~and~~

1.19 ~~(8)~~ (4) meet any other requirements determined by the commissioner; and

1.20 (5) either:

2.1 (i) be licensed to provide child care or work for a licensed child care program, have a
 2.2 career lattice step of five or higher, and have worked in the applicant's current position for
 2.3 at least 12 months; or

2.4 (ii) be a legal nonlicensed family child care provider, have a career lattice step of three
 2.5 or higher, and have worked in the early childhood care and education field for at least six
 2.6 months.

2.7 (b) Grant recipients must sign a contract agreeing to remain in the early childhood care
 2.8 and education field for 12 months.

2.9 Sec. 2. **APPROPRIATION; REETAIN GRANT PROGRAM.**

2.10 \$..... in fiscal year 2023 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of
 2.11 human services for the REETAIN grant program under Minnesota Statutes, section 119B.195.