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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2017

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RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES-CHILD CARE-STATE SUBSIDIES

Introduced By: Representative Anastasia P. Williams

Date Introduced: February 16, 2017

Referred To: House Finance

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 40-6.2 of the General Laws entitled "Child Care-State Subsidies"

2 is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

3 **40-6.2-6. Status of copayments-Database established.**

4 (a) The department of human services shall establish a searchable online database, that
5 shall be accessible to all certified family-child care providers, for the purpose of monitoring the
6 status of all copayments owed by families receiving child care assistance.

7 (b) Any certified family-child care providers receiving child care assistance payments
8 shall be permitted to access the database at no cost.

9 (c) Any certified family-child care providers not receiving child care assistance
10 payments shall pay a reasonable fee, to be determined by the department of human services, to
11 access the database.

12 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect January 1, 2017.

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EXPLANATION
BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
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1 This act would require the department of human services to establish a searchable online
2 database to be accessible to all certified family-child care providers, for the purpose of
3 monitoring the status of all copayments owed by families receiving child care assistance. Any
4 certified family-child care providers receiving child care assistance payments would be permitted
5 to access the database at no cost. Any certified family-child care providers not receiving child
6 care assistance payments would pay a reasonable fee, to be determined by the department of
7 human services, to access the database.

8 This act would take effect on January 1, 2017.

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