

Introduced by

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1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation to the department of human services for a child  
2 care stabilization initiative.

3 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

4 **SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.** There is appropriated out of any moneys in the general  
5 fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$15,425,000, or so much of  
6 the sum as may be necessary, to the department of human services for the purpose of a child  
7 care stabilization initiative, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2013, and ending June 30, 2015.  
8 The initiative must provide assistance to stabilize child care operations, recruit and retain a  
9 qualified workforce, and advance quality child care practices through the implementation and  
10 administration of the following programs:

11	Stabilization incentive grants to child care centers:	
12	In areas of the state affected by oil and gas development	\$7,000,000
13	In other areas of the state	\$6,000,000
14	Assessment, monitoring, and consumer awareness	\$325,000
15	Technical assistance and shared services	\$1,600,000
16	Data collection and evaluation	\$500,000