

BY: Committee on Ways and Means

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 297

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 19, after “purposes;” insert “requiring a certain qualified vendor to receive a grant in a certain year under certain circumstances;”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 10, in line 18, strike “**HALF-DAY**” and substitute “**ESTABLISHING OR EXPANDING EXISTING HALF-DAY**”; in line 20, strike “**FULL-DAY**” and substitute “**ESTABLISHING OR EXPANDING FULL-DAY**”; in line 22, strike “**AND**”; in line 23, after “**3.**” insert “**ESTABLISHING OR EXPANDING EXISTING**”; in line 26, after “**AREAS**” insert “**; AND**”.

**4. EXPANDING EXISTING HALF-DAY PREKINDERGARTEN PROGRAMS INTO FULL-DAY PREKINDERGARTEN PROGRAMS FOR ELIGIBLE CHILDREN AS DEFINED IN § 7-101.1 OF THIS SUBTITLE OR ADDITIONAL ELIGIBLE CHILDREN AS DEFINED IN THIS SECTION.**

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 11, after line 6, insert:

**“(5) A QUALIFIED VENDOR THAT HAS RECEIVED A PREKINDERGARTEN EXPANSION GRANT IN THE CURRENT YEAR SHALL BE AWARDED A GRANT IN THE NEXT YEAR IF THE QUALIFIED VENDOR CONTINUES TO SATISFY THE REQUIREMENTS ESTABLISHED UNDER THIS SECTION.”**

On page 14, in line 14, after the second “the” insert “aggregate”; in line 15, after the first “of” insert “3-year-old and”; in lines 15 and 16, strike “economically disadvantaged” and substitute “3-year-old and”; in line 15, after “the” insert

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“subcategory that includes the”; and in line 16, after “children” insert “from an economically disadvantaged background”.