

ICSEW BILL ALERT

SB 5237

Fair start for kids act



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Why does this bill matter to you?

How does it apply to state employed women.

- ...first stabilizing the child care industry and then expanding access to a comprehensive continuum of high quality early childhood development programs, including infant and school-age child care, preschool, parent and family supports, and prenatal to three services.
- ...expand language access services to create an inclusive early learning system that specifically supports underserved providers.
- ...eliminate copayments for low-income families and limit copayments for any family on subsidy to no more than seven percent of their income.
- ...dramatically expanding access to affordable, high quality child care and preschool, in order to get parents back to work and provide every child with a fair start.

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