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# sHB-6840

# AN ACT REQUIRING THE OFFICE OF EARLY CHILDHOOD TO STUDY THE AVAILABILITY OF CHILD CARE SERVICES THROUGHOUT THE STATE AND TO DEVELOP A PLAN TO ADDRESS INFANT AND TODDLER CHILD CARE SERVICES NEEDS FOR LOW-INCOME FAMILIES.

### **OFA Fiscal Note**

#### State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 26 \$	FY 27 \$
Office of Early Childhood	GF - Cost	Up to \$2	Up to \$1
		million	million

Note: GF=General Fund

### *Municipal Impact:* None

### Explanation

The bill results in a cost of up to \$2 million in FY 26 and up to \$1 million in FY 27 for the Office of Early Childhood (OEC) to conduct an annual study of licensed and license-exempt child care services throughout the state, as well as to create a plan that addresses shortages in infant and toddler child care availability for low-income families, due by January 1, 2026.

## The Out Years

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future for each year the report is required.