

1 **4.** Page 312, line 2: after that line insert:

2 “**SECTION 2.** 49.133 of the statutes is created to read:

3 **49.133 Child care quality improvement program.** (1) The department
4 may establish a program under which it may, from the appropriation under s. 20.437
5 (2) (c) and under s. 49.175 (1) (qm), make monthly payments and monthly per-child
6 payments to child care providers certified under s. 48.651, child care centers licensed
7 under s. 48.65, and child care programs established or contracted for by a school
8 board under s. 120.13 (14).

9 (2) The department may promulgate rules to implement the program under
10 this section, including establishing eligibility requirements and payment amounts
11 and setting requirements for how recipients may use the payments.”.

12 **5.** Page 313, line 12: after that line insert:

13 “**SECTION 3.** 49.155 (6) (e) 2. of the statutes is repealed.

14 **SECTION 4.** 49.155 (6) (e) 3. (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

15 49.155 (6) (e) 3. (intro.) The department may modify a child care provider’s
16 maximum payment rate under ~~subd. 2. pars. (a) to (c)~~ on the basis of the provider’s
17 quality rating, as described in the quality rating plan, in the following manner:”.

18 **6.** Page 411, line 21: after that line insert:

19 “(2a) CHILD CARE QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM. Using the procedure under s.
20 227.24, the department of children and families may promulgate the rules
21 authorized under s. 49.133 (2) as emergency rules. Notwithstanding s. 227.24 (1) (a)
22 and (3), the department of children and families is not required to provide evidence
23 that promulgating a rule under this subsection as an emergency rule is necessary for

1 the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, or welfare and is not required to
2 provide a finding of emergency for a rule promulgated under this subsection.”.

3 (END)