106TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION H.R. 1430

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

April 15, 1999

Mr. GILMAN (for himself, Mr. BOEHLERT, Mr. HOUGHTON, and Mr. SHOWS) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on Government Reform, Banking and Financial Services, House Administration, Education and the Workforce, and the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

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2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.

- 4 (a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the
- 5 "Caring for America's Children Act".
- 6 (b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents of

7 this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

Sec. 2. Definitions.

TITLE I—TAX BENEFITS FOR FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN

- Sec. 101. Expansion of dependent care tax credit.
- Sec. 102. Increase in child tax credit.
- Sec. 103. Expansion of dependent care assistance program.
- Sec. 104. Mutually exclusive use of dependent care tax credit, child tax credit, and dependent care assistance program for each dependent.
- Sec. 105. Expansion of home office deduction to include use of office for dependent care.
- Sec. 106. Inclusion of child care costs in child support orders.

TITLE II—ACTIVITIES TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF CHILD CARE

Subtitle A—Encouraging Business Involvement in Child Care

- Sec. 201. Allowance of credit for employer expenses for child care assistance.
- Sec. 202. Charitable contributions of scientific equipment, computer technology and equipment, and other services to child care providers and to elementary and secondary schools.

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- Sec. 211. Definitions.
- Sec. 212. Establishment of State program.
- Sec. 213. Distribution.
- Sec. 214. State eligibility and application requirements.
- Sec. 215. Use of funds by States.
- Sec. 216. Reservation.
- Sec. 217. Authorization of appropriations.

Subtitle C-Increased Enforcement of State Health and Safety Standards

Sec. 221. Enforcement of State health and safety standards.

Subtitle D—Distribution of Information About Quality Child Care

Sec. 231. Expansion of role of the Department of Health and Human Services in the collection and dissemination of information and technology.

TITLE III—EXPANDING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Sec. 301. Child care training infrastructure.

Sec. 302. Child Care Training Revolving Fund.

TITLE IV—EXPANDING YOUTH DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES DURING NON-SCHOOL HOURS

- Sec. 401. Purpose.
- Sec. 402. Definitions.
- Sec. 403. Establishment of program.
- Sec. 404. State allotments.
- Sec. 405. State application.
- Sec. 406. Local allocations and grants.
- Sec. 407. Local application.
- Sec. 408. Use of grant funds.
- Sec. 409. Federal administration; duties of the Assistant Secretary.
- Sec. 410. State administration; duties of the States.
- Sec. 411. Coordination with other programs.
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TITLE V—CHILD CARE IN FEDERAL FACILITIES

- Sec. 501. Short title.
- Sec. 502. Definitions.
- Sec. 503. Providing quality child care in Federal facilities.
- Sec. 504. Federal child care evaluation.
- Sec. 505. Child care services for Federal employees.
- Sec. 506. Miscellaneous provisions relating to child care provided by Federal agencies.

TITLE VI—EXPANDING CHILD CARE SUBSIDY FOR LOW-INCOME FAMILIES

- Sec. 601. Authorization of appropriations.
- Sec. 602. Application and plan.
- Sec. 603. Automated systems.

TITLE VII—CONSTRUCTION AND RENOVATION OF CHILD CARE FACILITIES

Subtitle A—Community Development Block Grants

Sec. 701. Use of community development block grants to establish child care facilities.

Subtitle B-Mortgage Insurance For Child Care Facilities

- Sec. 711. Insurance for mortgages on new and rehabilitated child care facilities.
- Sec. 712. Insurance for mortgages for acquisition or refinancing debt of existing child care facilities.

	Sec. 713. Study of availability of secondary markets for mortgages on child care facilities.
	Sec. 714. Technical and financial assistance grants.
1	SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.
2	In this Act:
3	(1) Accredited Child Care Facility.—The
4	term "accredited child care facility" means—
5	(A) a facility that is accredited, by a child
6	care credentialing or accreditation entity recog-
7	nized by a State or national organization de-
8	scribed in paragraph (2)(A), to provide child
9	care (except children who a tribal organization
10	elects to serve through a facility described in
11	subparagraph (B));
12	(B) a facility that is accredited, by a child
13	care credentialing or accreditation entity recog-
14	nized by a tribal organization, to provide child
15	care for children served by the tribal organiza-
16	tion;
17	(C) a facility that is used as a Head Start
18	center under the Head Start Act (42 U.S.C.
19	9831 et seq.) and is in compliance with applica-
20	ble performance standards established by regu-
21	lation under such Act for Head Start programs;
22	or
23	(D) a military child development center (as
24	defined in section 1798(1) of title 10, United

1	States Code) that is in a facility owned or
2	leased by the Department of Defense or the
3	Coast Guard.
4	(2) CHILD CARE CREDENTIALING OR ACCREDI-
5	TATION ENTITY.—The term "child care credentialing
6	or accreditation entity" means a nonprofit private
7	organization or public agency that—
8	(A) is recognized by a State agency, a trib-
9	al organization, or a national organization that
10	serves as a peer review panel on the standards
11	and procedures of public and private child care
12	or school accrediting bodies; and
13	(B) accredits a facility or credentials an in-
14	dividual to provide child care on the basis of—
15	(i) an accreditation or credentialing
16	instrument based on peer-validated re-
17	search;
18	(ii) compliance with applicable State
19	and local licensing requirements, or stand-
20	ards described in section $658E(c)(2)(E)(ii)$
21	of the Child Care and Development Block
22	Grant Act (42 U.S.C. 9858c(c)(2)(E)(ii)),
23	as appropriate, for the facility or indi-
24	vidual;

1	(iii) outside monitoring of the facility
2	or individual; and
3	(iv) criteria that provide assurances
4	of—
5	(I) compliance with age-appro-
6	priate health and safety standards at
7	the facility or by the individual;
8	(II) use of developmentally ap-
9	propriate educational activities, as an
10	integral part of the child care pro-
11	gram carried out at the facility or by
12	the individual; and
13	(III) use of ongoing staff devel-
14	opment or training activities for the
15	staff of the facility or the individual,
16	including related skills-based testing.
17	(3) CREDENTIALED CHILD CARE PROFES-
18	SIONAL.—The term "credentialed child care profes-
19	sional" means—
20	(A) an individual who—
21	(i) is credentialed, by a child care
22	credentialing or accreditation entity recog-
23	nized by a State or a national organization
24	described in paragraph (2)(A), to provide
25	child care (except children who a tribal or-

1	ganization elects to serve through an indi-
2	vidual described in subparagraph (B)); or
3	(ii) successfully completes a 4-year or
4	graduate degree in a relevant academic
5	field (such as early childhood education,
6	education, or recreation services);
7	(B) an individual who is credentialed, by a
8	child care credentialing or accreditation entity
9	recognized by a tribal organization, to provide
10	child care for children served by the tribal orga-
11	nization; or
12	(C) an individual certified by the Armed
13	Forces of the United States to provide child
14	care as a family child care provider (as defined
15	in section 658P of the Child Care and Develop-
16	ment Block Grant Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C.
17	9858n)) in military family housing.
18	(4) STATE; TRIBAL ORGANIZATION.—The terms
19	"State" and "tribal organization" have the meaning
20	given the term in section 658P of the Child Care
21	and Development Block Grant Act (42 U.S.C.
22	9858n).

TITLE I—TAX BENEFITS FOR FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN

3 SEC. 101. EXPANSION OF DEPENDENT CARE TAX CREDIT.

4 (a) DOLLAR LIMIT ON CREDITABLE EMPLOYMENT5 RELATED EXPENSES INCREASED.—Section 21(c) of the
6 Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (relating to dollar limit
7 on amount creditable) is amended—

8 (1) by striking "\$2,400" in paragraph (1) and
9 inserting "\$3,600", and

10 (2) by striking "\$4,800" in paragraph (2) and
11 inserting "\$6,000".

(b) PERCENTAGE OF EMPLOYMENT-RELATED EXPENSES INCREASED.—Section 21(a)(2) of the Internal
Revenue Code of 1986 (defining applicable percentage) is
amended to read as follows:

"(2) APPLICABLE PERCENTAGE DEFINED.—For
purposes of paragraph (1), the term 'applicable percentage' means 40 percent reduced (but not below
10 percent) by 1 percentage point for each \$2,000
(or fraction thereof) by which the taxpayers's adjusted gross income for the taxable year exceeds
\$50,000.".

23 (c) EMPLOYMENT-RELATED EXPENSES EXPANDED
24 TO INCLUDE TRANSPORTATION COSTS AND COSTS OF
25 EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS.—Section 21(b)(2)(A) of the

Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (defining employment-re lated expenses) is amended—

3	(1) by striking "and" at the end of clause (i),
4	(2) by striking the period at the end of clause
5	(ii) and inserting "(including expenses for edu-
6	cational activities provided during such care), and",
7	and
8	(3) by adding at the end the following:
9	"(iii) expenses for transportation—
10	"(I) related to such services or
11	care, and
12	"(II) provided by a person not
13	described in subsection (e)(6).".
14	(d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
15	this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after
16	December 31, 2000.
17	SEC 102 INCREASE IN CHILD TAY OPEDIT

17 SEC. 102. INCREASE IN CHILD TAX CREDIT.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 24(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (relating to allowance of credit) is
amended by striking "\$500 (\$400 in the case of taxable
years beginning in 1998)" and inserting "\$900".

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after
December 31, 2000.

1	SEC. 103. EXPANSION OF DEPENDENT CARE ASSISTANCE
2	PROGRAM.
3	(a) DOLLAR LIMIT INCREASED.—Section
4	129(a)(2)(A) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (relat-
5	ing to limitation of exclusion) is amended to read as fol-
6	lows:
7	"(A) DOLLAR LIMITATION.—
8	"(i) IN GENERAL.—The amount which
9	may be excluded under paragraph (1) for
10	dependent care assistance with respect to
11	dependent care services provided during a
12	taxable year shall not exceed—
13	"(I) in the case of dependent
14	care services provided for 1 qualifying
15	individual described in section
16	21(b)(1), \$5,000, and
17	"(II) in the case of dependent
18	care services provided for 2 or more
19	qualifying individuals so described,
20	\$7,000.
21	"(ii) Amounts for married indi-
22	VIDUALS FILING SEPARATE RETURNS.—In
23	the case of a separate return by a married
24	individual, the amount applicable under
25	clause (i) shall be one-half of the amount
26	specified.".

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1	(b) PAYMENTS FOR INFANT CARE, INCLUDING STAY-
2	AT-HOME CARE, ALLOWED.—
3	(1) IN GENERAL.—Section $129(e)(1)$ of the In-
4	ternal Revenue Code of 1986 (relating to definitions
5	and special rules) is amended to read as follows:
6	"(1) DEPENDENT CARE ASSISTANCE.—The
7	term 'dependent care assistance' means—
8	"(A) the payment of, or provision of, those
9	services which if paid for by the employee would
10	be considered employment-related expenses
11	under section $21(b)(2)$ (relating to expenses for
12	household and dependent care services nec-
13	essary for gainful employment), and
14	"(B) any payment to the employee or any
15	individual described in subsection $(c)(2)$ from
16	amounts contributed to the employee's account
17	during the 9-month period ending with the

during the 9-month period ending with the
birth of a qualifying individual described in section 21(b)(1)(A), if paid during a period ending
1 year after such birth.".

(2) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 125
of such Code (relating to cafeteria plans) is amended
by redesignating subsections (h) and (i) as subsections (i) and (j) and by inserting after subsection
(g) the following:

"(h) ALLOWANCE OF CARRYOVERS OF CERTAIN UN USED DEPENDENT CARE ASSISTANCE TO LATER TAX 3 ABLE YEARS.—For purposes of this title—

4 "(1) a plan or other arrangement shall not fail
5 to be treated as a cafeteria plan or flexible spending
6 or similar arrangement, and

7 "(2) no amount shall be required to be included
8 in gross income by reason of this section or any
9 other provision of this chapter,

10 solely because under such plan or other arrangement any
11 dependent care assistance described in section
12 129(e)(1)(B) which is unused as of the close of a taxable
13 year may be carried forward to the succeeding taxable
14 year.".

(c) PAYMENTS TO CERTAIN RELATED INDIVIDUALS
16 FOR ROUTINE CARE ALLOWED.—Section 129(c) of the
17 Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (relating to payments to
18 related individuals) is amended by adding at the end the
19 following flush sentence:

20 "The preceding sentence shall not apply to any amount 21 paid or incurred to any individual otherwise described in 22 paragraph (1) if such amount is paid or incurred for care 23 of a qualifying individual during the period ending with 24 the first day of State mandatory schooling of such quali-25 fying individual.". (d) DEPENDENT CARE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR
 FEDERAL EMPLOYEES.—Subpart G of part III of title 5,
 United States Code, is amended by inserting after chapter
 87 the following:

5 **"CHAPTER 88—DEPENDENT CARE**

6 ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

7 **"§8801. Definitions**

8 "(a) For the purpose of this chapter, 'employee'9 means—

10 "(1) an employee as defined by section 2105 of11 this title;

12 "(2) a Member of Congress as defined by sec-13 tion 2106 of this title;

14 "(3) a Congressional employee as defined by15 section 2107 of this title;

16 "(4) the President;

"(5) a justice or judge of the United States ap-17 18 pointed to hold office during good behavior (i) who 19 is in regular active judicial service, or (ii) who is re-20 tired from regular active service under section 21 371(b) or 372(a) of title 28, United States Code, or 22 (iii) who has resigned the judicial office under sec-23 tion 371(a) of title 28 with the continued right dur-24 ing the remainder of his lifetime to receive the sal-25 ary of the office at the time of his resignation;

"(6) an individual first employed by the govern-
ment of the District of Columbia before October 1,
1987;
"(7) an individual employed by Gallaudet Col-
lege;
"(8) an individual employed by a county com-
mittee established under section 590h(b) of title 16;
"(9) an individual appointed to a position on
the office staff of a former President under section
1(b) of the Act of August 25, 1958 (72 Stat. 838);
and
((10) an individual appointed to a position on
the office staff of a former President, or a former
Vice President under section 4 of the Presidential
Transition Act of 1963, as amended (78 Stat. 153),
who immediately before the date of such appoint-
ment was an employee as defined under any other
paragraph of this subsection;
but does not include—
"(A) an employee of a corporation supervised
by the Farm Credit Administration if private inter-
ests elect or appoint a member of the board of direc-
tors;
"(B) an individual who is not a citizen or na-
tional of the United States and whose permanent

1	duty station is outside the United States, unless the
2	individual was an employee for the purpose of this
3	chapter on September 30, 1979, by reason of service
4	in an Executive agency, the United States Postal
5	Service, or the Smithsonian Institution in the area
6	which was then known as the Canal Zone; or
7	"(C) an employee excluded by regulation of the
8	Office of Personnel Management under section
9	8716(b) of this title.
10	"(b) For the purpose of this chapter, 'dependent care
11	assistance program' has the meaning given such term by
12	section 129(d) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.
13	"§8802. Dependent care assistance program
14	"The Office of Personnel Management shall establish
15	and maintain a dependent care assistance program for the
16	benefit of employees.".
17	(e) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
18	this section apply to taxable years beginning after Decem-
19	ber 31, 2000.
20	SEC. 104. MUTUALLY EXCLUSIVE USE OF DEPENDENT CARE
21	TAX CREDIT, CHILD TAX CREDIT, AND DE-
22	PENDENT CARE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR
23	EACH DEPENDENT.
24	(a) Election To Apply Dependent Care Tax
25	Credit.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 21 of the Internal 1 2 Revenue Code of 1986 (relating to expenses for 3 household and dependent care services necessary for 4 gainful employment) is amended by redesignating 5 subsection (f) as subsection (g) and by inserting 6 after subsection (e) the following: "(f) ELECTION TO HAVE SECTION APPLY.— 7 "(1) IN GENERAL.—No credit shall be allowed 8 9 under subsection (a) for a taxable year with respect 10 to any qualifying individual unless the taxpayer 11 elects to have this section apply with respect to such 12 individual for such year. 13 "(2) COORDINATION WITH CHILD TAX CREDIT 14 AND DEPENDENT CARE ASSISTANCE EXCLUSION.—If 15 the taxpayer elects to apply this section with respect 16 to a qualifying individual for the taxable year, such 17 individual may not be considered— 18 "(A) a qualifying child for purposes of sec-19 tion 24 for such year, or

20 "(B) a qualifying individual for purposes
21 of section 129 for such year.".

(2) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 21(c)
of such Code, as amended by section 101(a), is
amended by striking the last sentence.

(b) ELECTION TO APPLY CHILD TAX CREDIT.—Sec tion 24 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (relating
 to child tax credit) is amended by adding at the end the
 following:

5 "(g) Election To Have Section Apply.—

6 "(1) IN GENERAL.—No credit shall be allowed 7 under subsection (a) for a taxable year with respect 8 to any qualifying child unless the taxpayer elects to 9 have this section apply with respect to such child for 10 such year.

11 "(2) COORDINATION WITH DEPENDENT CARE 12 TAX CREDIT AND DEPENDENT CARE ASSISTANCE 13 EXCLUSION.—If the taxpayer elects to apply this 14 section with respect to a qualifying child for the tax-15 able year, such child may not be considered a quali-16 fying individual for purposes of section 21 or 129 17 for such year.".

(c) ELECTION TO APPLY DEPENDENT CARE ASSISTANCE EXCLUSION.—Section 129 of the Internal Revenue
Code of 1986 (dependent care assistance programs) is
amended by adding at the end the following:

22 "(f) Election To Have Section Apply.—

23 "(1) IN GENERAL.—No exclusion shall be al24 lowed under subsection (a) for a taxable year with
25 respect to any qualifying individual unless the tax-

1	payer elects to have this section apply with respect
2	to such individual for such year.
3	((2) Coordination with dependent care
4	TAX CREDIT AND CHILD TAX CREDIT.—If the tax-
5	payer elects to apply this section with respect to a
6	qualifying individual for the taxable year, such indi-
7	vidual may not be considered—
8	"(A) a qualifying individual for purposes of
9	section 21 for such year, or
10	"(B) a qualifying child for purposes of sec-
11	tion 24 for such year.".
12	(d) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
13	this section apply to taxable years beginning after Decem-
14	ber 31, 2000.
15	SEC. 105. EXPANSION OF HOME OFFICE DEDUCTION TO IN-
15 16	SEC. 105. EXPANSION OF HOME OFFICE DEDUCTION TO IN- CLUDE USE OF OFFICE FOR DEPENDENT
16	CLUDE USE OF OFFICE FOR DEPENDENT
16 17	CLUDE USE OF OFFICE FOR DEPENDENT CARE.
16 17 18	CLUDE USE OF OFFICE FOR DEPENDENT CARE. (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 280A(c)(1) of the Inter-
16 17 18 19	CLUDE USE OF OFFICE FOR DEPENDENT CARE. (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 280A(c)(1) of the Inter- nal Revenue Code of 1986 (relating to certain business
 16 17 18 19 20 	CLUDE USE OF OFFICE FOR DEPENDENT CARE. (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 280A(c)(1) of the Inter- nal Revenue Code of 1986 (relating to certain business use) is amended by adding at the end the following: "A
 16 17 18 19 20 21 	CLUDE USE OF OFFICE FOR DEPENDENT CARE. (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 280A(c)(1) of the Inter- nal Revenue Code of 1986 (relating to certain business use) is amended by adding at the end the following: "A portion of a dwelling unit and the exclusive use of such
 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 	CLUDE USE OF OFFICE FOR DEPENDENT CARE. (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 280A(c)(1) of the Inter- nal Revenue Code of 1986 (relating to certain business use) is amended by adding at the end the following: "A portion of a dwelling unit and the exclusive use of such portion otherwise described in this paragraph shall not fail

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
 this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after
 December 31, 1999.

4 SEC. 106. INCLUSION OF CHILD CARE COSTS IN CHILD SUP5 PORT ORDERS.

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 466(a) of the Social Secu7 rity Act (42 U.S.C. 666(a)) is amended by inserting after
8 paragraph (19) the following:

9 "(20) CHILD CARE COSTS.—Procedures under 10 which any child support order enforced under this 11 part shall include an equitable division between the 12 custodial and noncustodial parents of any costs of 13 providing child care services in any case where the 14 custodial parent is employed or is actively seeking 15 employment.".

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
subsection (a) shall apply to child support orders enforced
or otherwise modified by a court on and after the date
of enactment of this Act.

II—ACTIVITIES TITLE TO IM-1 THE **QUALITY** PROVE OF 2 **CHILD CARE** 3 Subtitle A—Encouraging Business 4 **Involvement in Child Care** 5

6 SEC. 201. ALLOWANCE OF CREDIT FOR EMPLOYER EX7 PENSES FOR CHILD CARE ASSISTANCE.

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subpart D of part IV of sub-9 chapter A of chapter 1 of the Internal Revenue Code of 10 1986 (relating to business related credits) is amended by 11 adding at the end the following new section:

12 "SEC. 45D. EMPLOYER-PROVIDED CHILD CARE CREDIT.

"(a) ALLOWANCE OF CREDIT.—For purposes of section 38, the employer-provided child care credit determined under this section for the taxable year is an amount
equal to 40 percent of the qualified child care expenditures
of the taxpayer for such taxable year.

18 "(b) DOLLAR LIMITATION.—The credit allowable
19 under subsection (a) for any taxable year shall not exceed
20 \$150,000 (\$250,000 in the case of qualified child care ex21 penditures with respect to 3 or more qualified child care
22 facilities each located in a different jurisdiction of State
23 or local government).

24 "(c) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this section—

1	"(1) Qualified child care expenditure.—
2	The term 'qualified child care expenditure' means
3	any amount paid or incurred—
4	"(A) to acquire, construct, rehabilitate, or
5	expand property—
6	"(i) which is to be used as part of a
7	qualified child care facility of the taxpayer,
8	"(ii) with respect to which a deduction
9	for depreciation (or amortization in lieu of
10	depreciation) is allowable, and
11	"(iii) which does not constitute part of
12	the principal residence (within the meaning
13	of section 121) of the taxpayer or any em-
14	ployee of the taxpayer,
15	"(B) for the operating costs of a qualified
16	child care facility of the taxpayer, including
17	costs related to the training of employees, to
18	scholarship programs, and to the providing of
19	increased compensation to employees with high-
20	er levels of child care training,
21	"(C) under a contract with a qualified
22	child care facility to provide child care services
23	to employees of the taxpayer,

1	"(D) under a contract to provide child care
2	resource and referral services to employees of
3	the taxpayer, or
4	"(E) for the costs of seeking accreditation
5	from a child care credentialing or accreditation
6	entity (as defined in section $2(2)$ of the Caring
7	for America's Children Act) with respect to a
8	qualified child care facility.
9	"(2) Qualified child care facility.—
10	"(A) IN GENERAL.—The term 'qualified
11	child care facility' means a facility—
12	"(i) the principal use of which is to
13	provide child care assistance, and
14	"(ii) which meets the requirements of
15	all applicable laws and regulations of the
16	State or local government in which it is lo-
17	cated, including, but not limited to, the li-
18	censing of the facility as a child care facil-
19	ity.
20	Clause (i) shall not apply to a facility which is
21	the principal residence (within the meaning of
22	section 121) of the operator of the facility.
23	"(B) Special rules with respect to a
24	TAXPAYER.—A facility shall not be treated as a

1	qualified child care facility with respect to a
2	taxpayer unless—
3	"(i) enrollment in the facility is open
4	to employees of the taxpayer during the
5	taxable year,
6	"(ii) the facility is not the principal
7	trade or business of the taxpayer unless at
8	least 30 percent of the enrollees of such fa-
9	cility are dependents of employees of the
10	taxpayer, and
11	"(iii) the use of such facility (or the
12	eligibility to use such facility) does not dis-
13	criminate in favor of employees of the tax-
14	payer who are highly compensated employ-
15	ees (within the meaning of section $414(q)$).
16	"(d) Recapture of Acquisition and Construc-
17	TION CREDIT.—
18	"(1) IN GENERAL.—If, as of the close of any
19	taxable year, there is a recapture event with respect
20	to any qualified child care facility of the taxpayer,
21	then the tax of the taxpayer under this chapter for
22	such taxable year shall be increased by an amount
23	equal to the product of—
24	"(A) the applicable recapture percentage,
25	and

1	"(B) the aggregate decrease in the credits
2	allowed under section 38 for all prior taxable
3	years which would have resulted if the qualified
4	child care expenditures of the taxpayer de-
5	scribed in subsection $(c)(1)(A)$ with respect to
6	such facility had been zero.
7	"(2) Applicable recapture percentage.—
8	"(A) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of this
9	subsection, the applicable recapture percentage
10	shall be determined from the following table:
	"If the recapture event occurs in: The applicable recapture Years 1-3 100
	Years 1–3
	Year 5
	Year 6
	Year 7
	Year 8
	Years 9 and 10
	Years 11 and thereafter
11	"(B) YEARS.—For purposes of subpara-
12	graph (A), year 1 shall begin on the first day
13	of the taxable year in which the qualified child
14	care facility is placed in service by the taxpayer.
15	"(3) Recapture event defined.—For pur-
16	poses of this subsection, the term 'recapture event'
17	means—
18	"(A) CESSATION OF OPERATION.—The
19	cessation of the operation of the facility as a
20	qualified shild some facility

20 qualified child care facility.

"(B) CHANGE IN OWNERSHIP.—

2 "(i) IN GENERAL.—Except as pro-3 vided in clause (ii), the disposition of a 4 taxpayer's interest in a qualified child care 5 facility with respect to which the credit de-6 scribed in subsection (a) was allowable. 7 "(ii) Agreement to assume recap-TURE LIABILITY.—Clause (i) shall not 8 9 apply if the person acquiring such interest 10 in the facility agrees in writing to assume 11 the recapture liability of the person dis-12 posing of such interest in effect imme-13 diately before such disposition. In the 14 event of such an assumption, the person 15 acquiring the interest in the facility shall 16 be treated as the taxpayer for purposes of 17 assessing any recapture liability (computed 18 as if there had been no change in owner-19 ship).

20 "(4) Special rules.—

21 "(A) TAX BENEFIT RULE.—The tax for
22 the taxable year shall be increased under para23 graph (1) only with respect to credits allowed
24 by reason of this section which were used to re25 duce tax liability. In the case of credits not so

1 used to reduce tax liability, the carryforwards 2 and carrybacks under section 39 shall be appro-3 priately adjusted. "(B) NO CREDITS AGAINST TAX.-Any in-4 crease in tax under this subsection shall not be 5 6 treated as a tax imposed by this chapter for 7 purposes of determining the amount of any 8 credit under subpart A, B, or D of this part. 9 "(C) NO RECAPTURE BY REASON OF CAS-10 UALTY LOSS.—The increase in tax under this 11 subsection shall not apply to a cessation of op-12 eration of the facility as a qualified child care 13 facility by reason of a casualty loss to the ex-14 tent such loss is restored by reconstruction or 15 replacement within a reasonable period estab-16 lished by the Secretary. 17 "(e) SPECIAL RULES.—For purposes of this section-18 19 "(1) AGGREGATION RULES.—All persons which 20 are treated as a single employer under subsections

(a) and (b) of section 52 shall be treated as a singletaxpayer.

23 "(2) PASS-THRU IN THE CASE OF ESTATES AND
24 TRUSTS.—Under regulations prescribed by the Sec-

1	retary, rules similar to the rules of subsection (d) of
2	section 52 shall apply.
3	"(3) Allocation in the case of partner-
4	SHIPS OR JOINT VENTURES.—In the case of partner-
5	ships or joint ventures, the credit shall be allocated
6	among partners or members of the joint venture
7	under regulations prescribed by the Secretary.
8	"(f) No Double Benefit.—
9	"(1) Reduction in basis.—For purposes of
10	this subtitle—
11	"(A) IN GENERAL.—If a credit is deter-
12	mined under this section with respect to any
13	property by reason of expenditures described in
14	subsection $(c)(1)(A)$, the basis of such property
15	shall be reduced by the amount of the credit so
16	determined.
17	"(B) CERTAIN DISPOSITIONS.—If during
18	any taxable year there is a recapture amount
19	determined with respect to any property the
20	basis of which was reduced under subparagraph
21	(A), the basis of such property (immediately be-
22	fore the event resulting in such recapture) shall
23	be increased by an amount equal to such recap-
24	ture amount. For purposes of the preceding
25	sentence, the term 'recapture amount' means

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1	any increase in tax (or adjustment in
2	carrybacks or carryovers) determined under
3	subsection (d).
4	"(2) Other deductions and credits.—No
5	deduction or credit shall be allowed under any other
6	provision of this chapter with respect to the amount
7	of the credit determined under this section.
8	"(g) TERMINATION.—This section shall not apply to
9	taxable years beginning after December 31, 2002."
10	(b) Conforming Amendments.—
11	(1) Section 38(b) of the Internal Revenue Code
12	of 1986 is amended—
13	(A) by striking out "plus" at the end of
14	paragraph (11),
15	(B) by striking out the period at the end
16	of paragraph (12), and inserting a comma and
17	"plus", and
18	(C) by adding at the end the following new
19	paragraph:
20	"(13) the employer-provided child care credit
21	determined under section 45D."
22	(2) The table of sections for subpart D of part
23	IV of subchapter A of chapter 1 of such Code is
24	amended by adding at the end the following new
25	item:
	"Sec 45D Employer-provided child care credit"

"Sec. 45D. Employer-provided child care credit."

1 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by 2 this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 1999. 3 4 SEC. 202. CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS OF SCIENTIFIC 5 EQUIPMENT, COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY AND 6 EQUIPMENT, AND **OTHER SERVICES** TO 7 CHILD CARE PROVIDERS AND TO ELEMEN-8 TARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS. 9 (a) Scientific Equipment.— 10 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subparagraph (B) of section 11 170(e)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (re-12 lating to special rule for contributions of scientific 13 property used for research) is amended to read as 14 follows: 15 "(B) QUALIFIED RESEARCH, CHILD CARE, 16 OR EDUCATION CONTRIBUTION.—For purposes 17 of this paragraph, the term 'qualified research, 18 child care, or education contribution' means a 19 charitable contribution by a corporation of tan-20 gible personal property described in paragraph 21 (1) of section 1221, but only if— 22 "(i) the contribution is to— "(I) an organization described in 23 24 section 501(c)(3) and exempt from 25 taxation under section 501(a) which is

1	a child care facility in compliance with
2	all applicable laws and regulations of
3	the State or unit of local government
4	in which such facility is located on the
5	date of such contribution,
6	"(II) an organization described
7	in section $501(c)(3)$ and exempt from
8	taxation under section 501(a) which is
9	a professional or educational support
10	entity for such a child care facility,
11	"(III) an educational organiza-
12	tion described in subsection
13	(b)(1)(A)(ii),
14	"(IV) a governmental unit de-
15	scribed in subsection $(c)(1)$, or
16	"(V) an organization described in
17	section $41(e)(6)(B)$,
18	"(ii) the contribution is made not
19	later than 3 years after the date the tax-
20	payer acquired the property (or in the case
21	of property constructed by the taxpayer,
22	the date the construction of the property is
23	substantially completed),

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1	"(iii) the property is scientific equip-
2	ment or apparatus substantially all of the
3	use of which by the donee is for—
4	"(I) research or experimentation
5	(within the meaning of section 174),
6	or for research training, in the United
7	States in physical or biological
8	sciences,
9	"(II) activities designed to en-
10	hance or support the educational or
11	developmental achievement of children
12	or youth, or
13	"(III) in the case of an organiza-
14	tion described in subclause (I), (II),
15	(III), or (IV) of clause (i), use within
16	the United States for educational pur-
17	poses or support activities related to
18	the purpose or function of the organi-
19	zation,
20	"(iv) the original use of the property
21	is by donor or the donee,
22	"(v) the property is not transferred by
23	the donee in exchange for money, other
24	property, or services, except for shipping,
25	installation, and transfer costs, and

1	"(vi) the taxpayer receives from the
2	donee a written statement representing
3	that its use and disposition of the property
4	will be in accordance with the provisions of
5	clauses (iv) and (v).".
6	(2) Conforming Amendments.—
7	(A) Paragraph $(4)(A)$ of section 170(e) of
8	such Code is amended by striking "qualified re-
9	search contribution" each place it appears and
10	inserting "qualified research, child care, or edu-
11	cation contribution".
12	(B) The heading for section $170(e)(4)$ of
13	such Code is amended by inserting ", CHILD
14	CARE, OR EDUCATION" after "RESEARCH".
15	(b) Expansion of Rules Relating To Contribu-
16	TIONS OF COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY AND EQUIPMENT TO
17	Certain Child Care Providers.—
18	(1) In general.—Section $170(e)(6)(B)(i)$ of
19	the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (defining quali-
20	fied elementary or secondary educational contribu-
21	tion) is amended by striking "or" at the end of sub-
22	clause (I), by adding "or" at the end of subclause
23	(II), and by inserting after subclause (II) the fol-
24	lowing:

1	"(III) an entity described in sub-
2	clause (I) or (II) of paragraph
3	(4)(B)(i).".
4	(2) Conforming Amendments.—
5	(A) Section 170(e)(6)(B)(ii) of such Code
6	is amended by striking "2 years" and inserting
7	"3 years".
8	(B) Section $170(e)(6)(B)(iv)$ of such Code
9	is amended by striking "grades K–12" and in-
10	serting "grades preschool-12".
11	(C) Section $170(e)(6)$ of such Code is
12	amended by striking "qualified elementary or
13	secondary" each place it appears and inserting
14	"qualified child care, elementary, or sec-
15	ondary".
16	(D) The heading for section $170(e)(6)(B)$
17	of such Code is amended by striking "QUALI-
18	FIED ELEMENTARY OR SECONDARY" and insert-
19	ing "QUALIFIED CHILD CARE, ELEMENTARY, OR
20	SECONDARY".
21	(E) The heading for section $170(e)(6)$ of
22	such Code is amended by striking "ELEMEN-
23	TARY OR SECONDARY" and inserting "CHILD
24	CARE OR ELEMENTARY OR SECONDARY".
25	(c) Donations to Charity for Refurbishing.—

1	(1) Scientific Equipment.—Section
2	170(e)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is
3	amended by adding at the end the following:
4	"(E) Donations to charity for refur-
5	BISHING.—For purposes of this paragraph, a
6	charitable contribution by a corporation shall be
7	treated as a qualified research, child care, or
8	education contribution if—
9	"(i) such contribution is a contribu-
10	tion of property described in subparagraph
11	(B)(iii) to an organization described in sec-
12	tion $501(c)(3)$ and exempt from taxation
13	under section 501(a),
14	"(ii) such organization repairs and re-
15	furbishes the property and donates the
16	property to an organization described in
17	subparagraph (B)(i), and
18	"(iii) the taxpayer receives from the
19	organization to whom the taxpayer contrib-
20	uted the property a written statement rep-
21	resenting that its use of the property (and
21 22	resenting that its use of the property (and any use by the organization to which it do-
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1	(2) Computer technology and equip-
2	MENT.—Section 170(e)(6) of the Internal Revenue
3	Code of 1986 is amended by redesignating subpara-
4	graphs (E) and (F) as subparagraphs (F) and (G) ,
5	respectively, and by inserting after subparagraph
6	(D) the following:
7	"(E) Donations to charity for refur-
8	BISHING.—For purposes of this paragraph, a
9	charitable contribution by a corporation shall be
10	treated as a qualified child care, elementary, or
11	secondary educational contribution if—
12	"(i) such contribution is a contribu-
13	tion of computer technology or equipment
14	to an organization described in section
15	501(c)(3) and exempt from taxation under
16	section 501(a),
17	"(ii) such organization repairs and re-
18	furbishes the property and donates the
19	property to an organization described in
20	subparagraph (B)(i), and
21	"(iii) the taxpayer receives from the
22	organization to whom the taxpayer contrib-
23	uted the property a written statement rep-
24	resenting that its use of the property (and
25	any use by the organization to which it do-

1	nates the property) meets the requirements
2	of this paragraph.".
3	(d) Corporate Donations of Services.—Section
4	170 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by
5	redesignating subsection (m) as subsection (n) and by in-
6	serting after subsection (1) the following:
7	"(m) TREATMENT OF THE DONATION OF CERTAIN
8	Services.—
9	"(1) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of this sec-
10	tion, 50 percent of the fair market value of chari-
11	table services contributed by a corporation shall be
12	treated as a charitable contribution.
13	"(2) Charitable services.—
14	"(A) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of para-
15	graph (1), the term 'charitable services' means
16	transportation services, qualified employee vol-
17	unteer time, and the use of facilities and
18	equipment—
19	"(i) provided by the taxpayer to a
20	donee described in subsection $(e)(6)(B)(i)$,
21	and
22	"(ii) for which the taxpayer receives
23	from the donee a written statement rep-
24	resenting that the charitable services are

1	not in exchange for money, other property,
2	or services.
3	"(B) QUALIFIED EMPLOYEE VOLUNTEER
4	TIME.—For the purpose of this subsection, the
5	term 'qualified employee volunteer time' means
6	time—
7	"(i) volunteered to the donee by an
8	employee of the taxpayer during the em-
9	ployee's normal working hours, and
10	"(ii) the value of which is based on
11	the usual wage rate of the employee.".
12	(e) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
13	this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after
14	December 31, 1999.
15	Subtitle D. Child Come Auglitur
	Subtitle B—Child Care Quality
16	Improvement Incentive Program
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1 (i) is licensed, regulated, registered, or 2 otherwise legally operating under State 3 law; and 4 (ii) satisfies the State and local re-5 quirements; 6 applicable to the child care services the provider 7 provides; or 8 (B) a child care provider that is 18 years 9 of age or older who provides child care services 10 only to an eligible child who is, by affinity or 11 consanguinity, or by court decree, the grand-12 child, great grandchild, sibling, niece, or neph-13 ew of such provider, if such provider does not 14 reside in the same residence with the child for 15 whom the provider is providing care and if the provider complies with any applicable require-16 17 ments that govern child care provided by the 18 relative involved. 19 (2) FAMILY CHILD CARE PROVIDER.—The term

20 "family child care provider" has the meaning given
21 the term in section 658P of the Child Care and De22 velopment Block Grant Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C.
23 9858n).

24 (3) SECRETARY.—The term "Secretary" means
25 the Secretary of Health and Human Services.

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1 SEC. 212. ESTABLISHMENT OF STATE PROGRAM.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall establish a
program to award grants to eligible States to pay for the
Federal share of the cost of enabling such States to carry
out activities to improve the quality of child care for children in the States (except children who a tribal organization elects to serve under section 216).

8 (b) AWARDING OF GRANTS.—The Secretary shall
9 award the grants to the States from allotments made in
10 accordance with section 213.

11 (c) LIMITATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall not use
more than 5 percent of the amount appropriated
under section 217 for a fiscal year for the administrative costs associated with the administration of
the program under this section.

17 (2) DEFINITION.—In paragraph (1), the term
18 "administrative costs" shall not include the costs of
19 providing direct services.

20 SEC. 213. DISTRIBUTION.

(a) AMOUNTS RESERVED.—The Secretary shall reserve not more than ¹/₂ of 1 percent of the amount appropriated under this subtitle for each fiscal year for payments to Guam, American Samoa, the Virgin Islands of
the United States, and the Commonwealth of the North-

ern Mariana Islands to be allotted in accordance with their
 respective needs.

- 3 (b) STATE ALLOTMENT.—
- 4 (1) GENERAL RULE.—From the amount appro5 priated under section 217 for each fiscal year and
 6 remaining after reservations made under subsection
 7 (a), section 212(c), and section 216, the Secretary
 8 shall allot to each State an amount equal to the sum
 9 of—

10 (A) an amount that bears the same ratio 11 to 50 percent of the remainder as the product 12 of the young child factor of the State and the 13 allotment percentage of the State bears to the 14 sum of the corresponding products for all 15 States; and

16 (B) an amount that bears the same ratio 17 to 50 percent of the remainder as the product 18 of the school lunch factor of the State and the 19 allotment percentage of the State bears to the 20 sum of the corresponding products for all 21 States.

(2) MINIMUM ALLOTMENT.—The amount of an
allotment awarded to a State under this subsection
shall not be less than an amount equal to 0.75 per-

cent of the total amount appropriated for the fiscal
 year under section 217.

3 (3) YOUNG CHILD FACTOR.—The term "young
4 child factor" means the ratio of the number of chil5 dren in the State under 5 years of age to the num6 ber of the children in all States as provided by the
7 most recent annual estimates of population in the
8 States by the Bureau of the Census of the Depart9 ment of Commerce.

10 (4)SCHOOL LUNCH FACTOR.—The term 11 "school lunch factor" means the ratio of the number 12 of children in the State who are receiving free or re-13 duced price lunches under the school lunch program 14 established under the National School Lunch Act 15 (42 U.S.C. 1751 et seq.) to the number of the chil-16 dren in all States as determined annually by the De-17 partment of Agriculture.

18 (5) Allotment percentage.—

19 (A) IN GENERAL.—The allotment percent20 age for a State is determined by dividing the
21 per capita income of all individuals in the
22 United States, by the per capita income of all
23 individuals in the State.

24 (B) LIMITATIONS.—If an allotment per25 centage determined under subparagraph (A)—

1 (i) exceeds 1.2 percent, the allotment 2 percentage of that State shall be consid-3 ered to be 1.2 percent; and 4 (ii) is less than 0.8 percent, the allot-5 ment percentage of the State shall be con-6 sidered to be 0.8 percent. 7 (C) PER CAPITA INCOME.—For purposes 8 of subparagraph (A), per capita income shall 9 be— 10 (i) determined at 2-year intervals; 11 (ii) applied for the 2-year period be-12 ginning on October 1 of the first fiscal 13 year beginning on the date the determina-14 tion is made; and 15 (iii) equal to the average of the an-16 nual per capita incomes for the most re-17 cent period of 3 consecutive years for 18 which satisfactory data are available from

(c) DATA AND INFORMATION.—The Secretary shall
obtain from each appropriate Federal agency, the most recent data and information necessary to determine the allotments provided for in subsection (b).

the determination is made.

the Department of Commerce at the time

25 (d) Reallotments.—

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1	(1) IN GENERAL.—Any portion of the allotment
2	under subsection (b) to a State that the Secretary
3	determines is not required to carry out State activi-
4	ties approved under section 214, in the period for
5	which the allotment is made available, shall be real-
6	lotted by the Secretary to other States in proportion
7	to the original allotments to the other States.
8	(2) Limitations.—
9	(A) REDUCTION.—The amount of any re-
10	allotment to which a State is entitled under
11	paragraph (1) shall be reduced to the extent
12	that the allotment exceeds the amount that the
13	Secretary estimates will be used in the State to
14	carry out State activities approved under sec-
15	tion 214.
16	(B) REALLOTMENTS.—The amount of the
17	reduction shall be similarly reallotted among
18	States for which no reduction in an allotment
19	or reallotment is required by this subsection.
20	(3) Amounts reallotted.—For purposes of
21	any other section of this subtitle, any amount real-
22	lotted to a State under this subsection shall be con-
23	sidered to be part of the allotment made under sub-
24	section (b) to the State.

(e) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term "State"
 includes only the 50 States, the District of Columbia, and
 the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

4 SEC. 214. STATE ELIGIBILITY AND APPLICATION REQUIRE-5 MENTS.

6 (a) ELIGIBILITY.—To be eligible to receive a grant
7 under this subtitle, a State shall certify to the Secretary
8 that the State—

9 (1) has not reduced the scope of any State child
10 care standards or requirements that were in effect
11 on January 1, 1995;

(2) has not limited the State licensing requirements with respect to the types of providers that
must obtain licenses in order to provide child care
in the State as compared to the types of providers
that were required to obtain the licenses on January
1, 1995;

(3) has not otherwise restricted the application
of State child care licensing requirements that were
in effect on January 1, 1995;

(4) is in compliance with the requirements applicable to the State under the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C.
9858 et seq.); and

1 (5) has, with respect to the fiscal year involved, 2 made available sufficient State matching funds to 3 draw down at least 80 percent of the amount award-4 ed to the State for the preceding fiscal year under 5 a grant under section 418(a)(2) of the Social Secu-6 rity Act (42 U.S.C. 618(a)(2)). 7 (b) FEDERAL SHARE.— 8 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Federal share of the 9 cost of the State activities approved under this sec-10 tion is 90 percent. 11 (2) NON-FEDERAL SHARE.—A State that re-12 ceives a grant under section 212 shall contribute the 13 non-Federal share of the cost in cash (which may be 14 provided from State or local public sources or 15 through donations from private entities). 16 (c) APPLICATION.—To be eligible to receive a grant under this subtitle, a State shall prepare and submit to 17 the Secretary an application at such time, in such manner, 18 19 and containing such information as the Secretary shall re-20 quire, including— 21 (1) an assurance that the State will comply 22 with the requirements applicable to States under 23 this subtitle; and 24 (2) an assurance that the State will not use

25 funds received under the grant to supplant or re-

1	place funds used by the State to improve the quality
2	or increase the supply of child care as required
3	under section 658G of the Child Care and Develop-
4	ment Block Grant Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 9858e).
5	SEC. 215. USE OF FUNDS BY STATES.
6	A State may use amounts provided under a grant
7	awarded under this subtitle to the State to—
8	(1) establish a subsidy program to provide
9	funds to child care providers who are credentialed in
10	the State (as described in section $2(3)$);
11	(2) provide assistance to small businesses lo-
12	cated in the State in establishing and operating child
13	care programs that may include—
14	(A) technical assistance in the establish-
15	ment of a child care program;
16	(B) assistance for the start-up costs re-
17	lated to a child care program;
18	(C) assistance for the training of child care
19	providers;
20	(D) scholarships for low-income wage earn-
21	ers in the programs;
22	(E) assistance to enable the businesses to
23	provide services to care for sick children or to
24	provide care to school age children; or

1	(F) assistance to enable the businesses to
2	provide care for children with disabilities;
3	(3) improve parental choice through consumer
4	education efforts in the State concerning child care,
5	including the expansion of resource and referral
6	services and improvement of State child care com-
7	plaint systems;
8	(4) establish a scholarship program for child
9	care providers to assist in meeting the educational or
10	training costs associated with accreditation of facili-
11	ties or credentialing of providers (as described in
12	paragraphs (1) and (3) of section 2);
13	(5) expand State-based child care training and
14	technical assistance activities;
15	(6) develop criteria for State recognition of en-
16	tities to accredit facilities, and credential child care
17	providers, in the State, as described in section 2;
18	(7) provide increased rates of reimbursement
19	under Federal or State child care assistance pro-
20	grams for child care that is provided by credentialed
21	child care professionals or at accredited child care
22	centers;
23	(8) provide differential rates of reimbursement
24	under Federal or State child care assistance pro-
25	grams for special needs children;

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1	(9) purchase special equipment or supplies or
2	otherwise provide for the payment of other extraor-
3	dinary expenses required for the care of special
4	needs (including disabled) children and the distribu-
5	tion of such equipment or supplies to child care pro-
6	viders serving special needs children;
7	(10) support networks for family child care pro-
8	viders;
9	(11) establish linkages between child care pro-
10	viders;
11	(12) conduct background checks of child care
12	providers; and
13	(13) increase State monitoring of licensed child
14	care facilities in accordance with State law.
15	SEC. 216. RESERVATION.
16	The Secretary shall reserve not more than 1.5 per-
17	cent of the amount appropriated under section 217 for a
18	fiscal year to make grants under this subtitle to tribal or-
19	ganizations submitting applications described in section
20	214(c), to be used in accordance with section 215.
21	SEC. 217. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.
22	There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out
23	this subtitle \$200,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2000
24	through 2004.

Subtitle C—Increased Enforcement of State Health and Safety Standards

4 SEC. 221. ENFORCEMENT OF STATE HEALTH AND SAFETY 5 STANDARDS.

6 (a) Identification of State Inspection Rate.— 7 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 658E(c)(2)(G) of 8 the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 9 1990 (42 U.S.C. 9858c(c)(2)(G)) is amended by 10 striking the period and inserting ", and provide the 11 percentage of child care provider inspections re-12 quired under State law that were completed by the 13 State for each of the 2 preceding fiscal years.".

14 (2) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made
15 by paragraph (1) applies to State plans under the
16 Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of
17 1990 (42 U.S.C. 9858 et seq.) on and after Sep18 tember 1, 2000.

(b) INCREASED OR DECREASED ALLOTMENTS.—Sec20 tion 658O(b) of the Child Care and Development Block
21 Grant Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 9858m(b)) is amended—
(1) in paragraph (1), in the matter preceding

23 subparagraph (A), by inserting ", subject to para24 graph (5)," after "shall"; and

25 (2) by adding at the end the following:

1	"(5) Increased or decreased allotment
2	BASED ON STATE INSPECTION RATE.—
3	"(A) Increased allotment for fiscal
4	YEARS 2000, 2001, AND 2002.—
5	"(i) IN GENERAL.—Subject to clause
6	(iii), for fiscal years 2000, 2001, and
7	2002, the allotment determined for a State
8	under paragraph (1) for each such fiscal
9	year shall be increased by an amount equal
10	to 10 percent of such allotment for the fis-
11	cal year involved with respect to any
12	State—
13	"(I) that certifies to the Sec-
14	retary that the State has not reduced
15	the scope of any State child care
16	health or safety standards or require-
17	ments that were in effect on January
18	1, 1995; and
19	"(II) that, with respect to the
20	preceding fiscal year, had a percent-
21	age of completed child care provider
22	inspections (as required to be reported
23	under section $658E(c)(2)(G)$) that
24	was not less than the target inspec-
25	tion and enforcement percentage spec-

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1	ified under clause (ii) for the fiscal
2	year for which the allotment is to be
3	paid.
4	"(ii) TARGET INSPECTION AND EN-
5	FORCEMENT PERCENTAGE.—For purposes
6	of clause (i)(II), the target inspection and
7	enforcement percentage is—
8	"(I) for fiscal year 2000, 75 per-
9	$\operatorname{cent};$
10	"(II) for fiscal year 2001, 80
11	percent; and
12	"(III) for fiscal year 2002, 100
13	percent.
14	"(iii) Pro rata reductions if in-
15	SUFFICIENT APPROPRIATIONS.—The Sec-
16	retary shall make pro rata reductions in
17	the percentage increase otherwise required
18	under clause (i) for a State allotment for
19	a fiscal year as necessary so that the ag-
20	gregate of all the allotments made under
21	this subsection does not exceed the amount
22	appropriated for that fiscal year under sec-
23	tion 658B, and remaining after reserva-
24	tions under subsection (a).

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"(B) Decreased allotment for fiscal

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2	YEARS 2001 AND 2002.—
3	"(i) IN GENERAL.—The allotment de-
4	termined for a State under paragraph (1)
5	for each of fiscal years 2001 and 2002
6	shall be decreased by an amount that is
7	not less than 2 percent of such allotment
8	for the fiscal year involved (except that
9	such amount shall not be more than the
10	State's expenditures on administrative
11	costs under this subchapter during the pre-
12	ceding fiscal year), with respect to any
13	State that, with respect to the preceding
14	fiscal year, had a percentage of completed
15	child care provider inspections (as required
16	to be reported under section
17	658E(c)(2)(G)) that was less than the
18	minimum inspection and enforcement per-
19	centage specified under clause (ii) for the
20	fiscal year for which the allotment is to be
21	paid.
22	"(ii) MINIMUM INSPECTION AND EN-
23	FORCEMENT PERCENTAGE.—For purposes
24	of clause (i), the minimum inspection and
25	enforcement percentage is—

"(I) for fiscal year 2001, 50 per-1 2 cent; and 3 "(II) for fiscal year 2002, 75 4 percent. 5 "(iii) Requirement TO EXPEND 6 STATE FUNDS TO REPLACE REDUCTION.— 7 If the allotment determined for a State for a fiscal year is reduced by reason of clause 8 9 (i), the State shall, during the immediately succeeding fiscal year, expend additional 10 11 State funds under the State plan funded 12 under this subchapter, in an amount equal 13 to the amount of such reduction. During 14 the succeeding fiscal year, the State shall 15 maintain the level of services provided by 16 the State under this subchapter during the 17 fiscal year for which the determination is 18 made.".

Subtitle D—Distribution of Infor mation About Quality Child Care

4 SEC. 231. EXPANSION OF ROLE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF
5 HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES IN THE COL6 LECTION AND DISSEMINATION OF INFORMA7 TION AND TECHNOLOGY.

8 (a) Provision of Information.—

9 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Health and
10 Human Services, by awarding contracts to qualified
11 entities on a competitive basis, shall—

(A) provide technical assistance concerning
the importance of the high quality child care to
States, units of local government, private nonprofit child care organizations, child care
credentialing or accreditation entities, child care
providers, and parents;

18 (B) collect and disseminate information on 19 the importance of high quality child care to 20 States, units of local government, private non-21 profit child care organizations, child care 22 credentialing or accreditation entities, child care 23 providers, and parents, including, in partner-24 ship with the Advertising Council or another 25 professional advertising group carrying out a public awareness campaign promoting quality
 child care.

3 (2) PREFERENCE.—In awarding the contracts,
4 the Secretary shall give preference to qualified enti5 ties with experience in carrying out the activities de6 scribed in paragraph (1).

(b) UNIFORMITY IN DATA COLLECTION AND DIS-7 8 SEMINATION BY NATIONAL, STATE, AND LOCAL CHILD 9 CARE RESOURCE AND REFERRAL SERVICES.—The Sec-10 retary of Health and Human Services shall develop a mechanism, for use by organizations including organiza-11 tions providing the resource and referral services described 12 13 in section 658G (42 U.S.C. 9858e), for the collection and dissemination of statistical data on the supply and demand 14 for child care on the national, State, and local levels. 15

16 (c) GRANT PROGRAM.—

17 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Health and
18 Human Services shall award competitive grants to
19 child care credentialing or accreditation entities that
20 have been providing credentialing or accreditation
21 services for child care providers for not more than
22 10 years.

(2) APPLICATION.—To be eligible to receive a
grant under this subsection, a child care
credentialing or accreditation entity shall prepare

and submit to the Secretary an application at such
 time, in such manner, and containing such informa tion as the Secretary shall require.

4 (3) USE OF FUNDS.—Amounts provided under 5 a grant awarded under paragraph (1) shall be used 6 by grantees to refine and evaluate the procedures 7 and methods used by such grantees in accrediting 8 facilities as accredited child care facilities or 9 credentialing individual child care providers as 10 credentialed child care professionals. Such proce-11 dures and methods shall be designed to ensure that 12 the highest quality child care is provided by the ac-13 credited child care facilities and credentialed child 14 care professionals, to provide information about the 15 accreditation or credentialing process to providers, 16 and to provide subsidies to needy individuals and or-17 ganizations to enable such individuals and organiza-18 the tion to participate in accreditation or 19 credentialing process.

20 (d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is
21 authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section
22 \$15,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2000 through 2004.

TITLE III—EXPANDING PROFES SIONAL DEVELOPMENT OP PORTUNITIES

4 SEC. 301. CHILD CARE TRAINING INFRASTRUCTURE.

5 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

6 (1) CHILD CARE PROVIDER.—The term "child
7 care provider" has the meaning given the term in
8 section 211.

9 (2) ELEMENTARY SCHOOL; SECONDARY
10 SCHOOL.—The terms "elementary school" and "sec11 ondary school" have the meanings given the terms
12 in section 14101 of the Elementary and Secondary
13 Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 8801).

(3) INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION.—The
term "institution of higher education" has the
meaning given the term in section 101(a) of the
Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001(a)).

18 (4) SECRETARY.—The term "Secretary" means
19 the Secretary of Health and Human Services.

20 (5) TRAINING SITE.—The term "training site"
21 means a training site described in subsection (e)(1).
22 (b) GRANTS.—

23 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall make
24 grants to eligible organizations to develop and oper-

1	ate technology-based child care training infrastruc-
2	tures, to facilitate—
3	(A) the accreditation of facilities as accred-
4	ited child care facilities and accredited family
5	child care homes;
б	(B) the credentialing of individuals as
7	credentialed child care professionals; and
8	(C) the dissemination of child care, child
9	development, and early childhood education in-
10	formation and research to child care providers.
11	(2) Organizations given priority.—In
12	awarding grants under this subsection, the Secretary
13	shall give priority to eligible national organizations
14	that have established child care training infrastruc-
15	tures similar in concept and purpose to infrastruc-
16	tures described in this section.
17	(c) Use of Funds.—An organization that receives
18	a grant under subsection (b) shall use the funds made
19	available through the grant to—
20	(1) develop partnerships, to the maximum ex-
21	tent possible, with elementary schools, secondary
22	schools, institutions of higher education, Federal,
23	State, and local government agencies, and private
24	entities, to share equipment, technical assistance,
25	and other technological resources, for the develop-

ment of the infrastructure described in subsection
 (b);

3 (2) enter into arrangements with entities for
4 the provision of sites from which the infrastructure
5 will disseminate training;

6 (3) ensure the establishment of at least 2 of the
7 training sites in each State, and additional training
8 sites based on the populations and geographic con9 siderations of States;

(4) enter into arrangements with child care
credentialing or accreditation entities that are recognized (as described in section 2(2)) by more than 1
State agency or tribal organization, for the development of child care training to be disseminated
through the infrastructure;

16 (5) provide, directly or through a contract 17 (which may for good cause be a sole source con-18 tract), expertise to convert training courses for dis-19 tance transmission, provide interactive environments, 20 and conduct registration, testing, electronic storage 21 of information, and other technology-based activities 22 to adapt and enhance training course content con-23 sistent with the medium of transmission involved 24 through the infrastructure;

1	(6) provide, through a logistical scheduling
2	mechanism, equitable access to the infrastructure for
3	all child care credentialing or accreditation entities
4	described in paragraph (4) that request an oppor-
5	tunity to disseminate child care training through the
6	infrastructure and meet the requirements of this sec-
7	tion;
8	(7) develop and implement a mechanism for
9	participants in the training to evaluate the infra-
10	structure, including providing comments on the ac-
11	cessibility and affordability of the training, and rec-
12	ommendations for improvements in the training;
13	(8) develop and implement a monitoring system
14	to provide data on the training provided through the
15	infrastructure, including data on—
16	(A) the number of facilities and individuals
17	participating in the training;
18	(B) the number of facilities receiving ac-
19	creditation (including a repeat accreditation) as
20	accredited child care facilities, and individuals
21	receiving credentialing (including a repeat
22	credentialing) as credentialed child care profes-
23	sionals, after fulfilling requirements that in-
24	clude participation in the training;

1	(C) the number of accredited child care fa-
2	cilities, and credentialed child care profes-
3	sionals, participating in the training; and
4	(D) the number of sites in which the train-
5	ing is received, analyzed—
6	(i) by State; and
7	(ii) by location in an urban, suburban,
8	or rural area; and
9	(9) establish and operate the child care training
10	revolving fund described in section 302.
11	(d) ELIGIBILITY.—To be eligible to receive the grant,
12	an organization shall be an organization that—
13	(1) is a private, nonprofit entity that is not—
14	(A) a child care credentialing or accredita-
15	tion entity;
16	(B) a subsidiary or affiliate of a child care
17	credentialing or accreditation entity; or
18	(C) an entity that has a subsidiary or affil-
19	iate that is a child care credentialing or accredi-
20	tation entity;
21	(2) has experience in developing partnerships
22	with child care credentialing or accreditation enti-
23	ties, institutions of higher education, and State and
24	local governments, for the provision of child care
25	training;

1 (3) has experience in providing and coordi-2 nating the provision of child care training to family 3 child care providers and center-based child care providers; 4 (4) is related to child care provider support or-5 6 ganizations in 35 or more States, through member-7 ship in a common organization, affiliation, or an-8 other mechanism; 9 (5) has experience in working with rural and 10 urban child care provider support organizations and 11 child care providers; and 12 (6) has experience in working with national 13 child care groups and organizations, including Fed-14 eral government agencies, providers of child care 15 training, child care credentialing or accreditation en-16 tities, and educational groups. 17 (e) APPLICATION.—To be eligible to receive a grant under subsection (b), an organization shall submit an ap-18 19 plication to the Secretary at such time, in such manner, and containing such information as the Secretary may re-20

21 quire, including—

(1) information describing, and indicating a
preliminary count of the number of, the sites from
which the infrastructure will disseminate training;

1	(2) an assurance that the organization will re-
2	quire that—
3	(A) each child care credentialing or accred-
4	itation entity that disseminates training
5	through the infrastructure will provide, during
6	at least 60 percent of the dissemination period,
7	an opportunity for participants in the
8	training-
9	(i) to interact with an identified train-
10	er or training leader at the training site; or
11	(ii) to elect to engage in other inter-
12	active training; and
13	(B) no child care credentialing or accredi-
14	tation entity may collect fees for participation
15	in the training that total more than—
16	(i) the cost to the entity for devel-
17	oping, conducting, and providing materials
18	for, the training; minus
19	(ii) the amount that the entity re-
20	ceives under this section or from any other
21	source to develop, conduct, and provide
22	materials for, the training; and
23	(3) information demonstrating that the organi-
24	zation will comply with the requirements of sub-
25	section $(f)(2)(A)$.

1 (f) Development and Operation of Infrastruc-2 ture.—

3	(1) CONTRACTS.—An organization that receives
4	a grant under subsection (b) may use funds made
5	available through the grant to enter into contracts,
6	which may for good cause be sole source contracts,
7	for the development of the technological and
8	logistical aspects of the infrastructure. The organiza-
9	tion shall enter into such a contract with an entity
10	with experience in establishing technology-based
11	interactive educational or training programs.
12	(2) TIME LINES.—
13	(A) BOARD, PERSONNEL, AND REVOLVING
14	FUND.—Not later than 6 months after the date
15	of receipt of the grant, the organization shall—
16	(i) establish a governing board;
17	(ii) establish bylaws to ensure fair
18	representation on the board of entities dis-
19	seminating training through the infrastruc-
20	ture;
21	(iii) appoint a Chief Executive Project
22	Officer to oversee the daily operation of
23	the infrastructure; and

1	(iv) establish and operate the child
2	care training revolving fund described in
3	section 302.
4	(B) TRAINING SITES.—
5	(i) 50 PERCENT OPERATIONAL.—Not
6	later than 3 years after the date of receipt
7	of the grant, the organization shall dis-
8	seminate training at 50 percent of the sites
9	described in the information submitted
10	under subsection $(e)(1)$.
11	(ii) 75 percent operational.—Not
12	later than 4 years after the date of receipt
13	of the grant, the organization shall dis-
14	seminate training at 75 percent of the
15	sites.
16	(iii) 90 percent operational.—Not
17	later than 5 years after the date of receipt
18	of the grant, the organization shall dis-
19	seminate training at 90 percent of the
20	sites.
21	(C) EVALUATION.—The organization shall
22	develop and implement the mechanism for con-
23	ducting evaluations of the infrastructure de-
24	scribed in subsection $(c)(7)$ not later than 3
25	years after the date of receipt of the grant.

1 (g) MANDATORY PARTICIPATION BY FEDERAL DE-PARTMENTS.—The Secretary of Health and Human Serv-2 ices, the Secretary of Education, and the Secretary of De-3 4 fense shall participate in the infrastructure by ensuring 5 that the training disseminated through the infrastructure includes training provided in accordance with curricula de-6 7 veloped by their departments (or by contractors for the 8 departments) for providers carrying out activities under 9 the Head Start Act (42 U.S.C. 9831 et seq.), the Safe 10 and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act of 1994 (20) U.S.C. 7101 et seq.), and the Child Care and Development 11 Block Grant Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 9858 et seq.), and 12 13 other relevant curricula developed by the departments (or by contractors for the departments). 14

(h) CORPORATION.—The organization may establish
a nonprofit corporation containing the governing board,
Chief Executive Project Officer, and personnel, to carry
out this section.

(i) ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS.—Prior to the date on
which the organization disseminates training at 75 percent
of the sites described in the information submitted under
subsection (e)(1), the organization may use not more than
25 percent of the funds made available through the grant
to pay for the administrative costs of carrying out this
section. Effective on that date, the organization may use

not more than 15 percent of the funds to pay for the ad ministrative costs.

3 (j) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is
4 authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section
5 \$50,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2000 through 2005.

6 SEC. 302. CHILD CARE TRAINING REVOLVING FUND.

7 (a) Establishment.—

8 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Chief Executive Project 9 Officer shall use not less than 10 percent of the 10 funds made available through a grant made under 11 section 301 during the 5 years after the date of re-12 ceipt of the grant to establish and operate a child 13 care training revolving fund (referred to in this sec-14 tion as the "Fund")—

15 (\mathbf{A}) from which the Chief Executive 16 Project Officer shall make loans to eligible bor-17 rowers for the purpose of enabling the persons 18 to purchase computers, satellite dishes, and 19 other equipment that will be used to dissemi-20 nate training through the infrastructure de-21 scribed in section 301; and

(B) into which all payments, charges, and
other amounts collected from loans made under
subparagraph (A) shall be deposited notwithstanding any other provision of law.

1 (2) SEPARATE ACCOUNT.—The Fund shall be 2 maintained as a separate account. Any portion of 3 the Fund that is not required for expenditure shall 4 be invested in obligations of the United States or in 5 obligations guaranteed or insured by the United 6 States.

7 (3) INTEREST EARNED.—The interest earned
8 on the investments shall be credited to and form a
9 part of the Fund.

10 (b) ELIGIBLE BORROWERS.—To be eligible to receive 11 a loan under subsection (a), a borrower shall be a child 12 care provider who seeks to receive training through the 13 infrastructure or an entity that has entered into an ar-14 rangement with the Chief Executive Project Officer to pro-15 vide a training site (as defined in section 301) for the in-16 frastructure.

17 (c) APPLICATION.—To be eligible to receive a loan under subsection (a), a borrower shall submit an applica-18 tion to the Chief Executive Project Officer at such time, 19 20 in such manner, and containing such information as the 21 Chief Executive Project Officer, in consultation with the 22 governing board and the chief executive officer of an orga-23 nization receiving a grant under section 301, may require. 24 At a minimum, the application shall include(1) an assurance that the person shall use the
 equipment funded through the loan to receive or dis seminate training through the infrastructure, for
 such period as the Secretary may by regulation pre scribe; and

6 (2) an assurance that the person shall permit 7 other persons to use the equipment to receive or dis-8 seminate training through the infrastructure, for 9 such period as the Secretary may by regulation pre-10 scribe.

11 (d) LOANS.—In making loans under subsection (a),
12 the Chief Executive Project Officer shall—

(1) to the maximum extent practicable, equitably distribute the loans among borrowers in the
various States, and among borrowers in urban, suburban, and rural areas; and

17 (2) take into consideration the availability to
18 the borrowers of resources from sources other than
19 the Fund, including the availability of resources
20 through the partnerships described in section
21 301(c)(1).

22 (e) TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—

23 (1) CONDITIONS.—The Chief Executive Project
24 Officer may make a loan to a borrower under sub-

1	section (a) only if the Chief Executive Project Offi-
2	cer determines that—
3	(A) the borrower is unable to obtain re-
4	sources from other sources on reasonable terms
5	and conditions; and
6	(B) there is a reasonable prospect that the
7	borrower will repay the loan.
8	(2) TERMS.—A loan made under subsection (a)
9	shall be—
10	(A) for a term that does not exceed 4
11	years; and
12	(B) at no interest.
13	(3) Collateral.—The Chief Executive Project
14	Officer may require any borrower of a loan made
15	under subsection (a) to provide such collateral as the
16	Chief Executive Project Officer determines to be
17	necessary to secure the loan.
18	(4) PROCEDURES AND DEFINITIONS.—Prior to
19	making loans under subsection (a), the Chief Execu-
20	tive Project Officer shall establish written proce-
21	dures and definitions pertaining to defaults and col-
22	lections of payments under the loans, which shall be
23	subject to the review and approval of the Secretary.
24	The governing board and chief executive officer of
25	the organization involved shall provide to each appli-

cant for a loan under subsection (a), at the time ap plication for the loan is made, a written copy of the
 procedures and definitions.

4 (f) DEFAULTS.—

5 (1) NOTICE.—The Chief Executive Project Offi-6 cer shall provide the governing board and the chief 7 executive officer of the organization at regular inter-8 vals written notice of each loan made under sub-9 section (a) that is in default and the status of the 10 loan.

11 (2) ACTION.—

12 (A) NOTIFICATION.—After making reason-13 able efforts to collect all amounts payable under 14 a loan made under subsection (a) that is in de-15 fault, the Chief Executive Project Officer shall 16 notify the governing board and the chief execu-17 tive officer of the organization that the loan is 18 uncollectable or collectible only at an unreason-19 able cost. The notification shall include rec-20 ommendations for future action to be taken by 21 the Chief Executive Project Director.

(B) INSTRUCTIONS.—On receiving the notification, the governing board and the chief executive officer of the organization shall advise
the Chief Executive Project Officer—

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1	(i) to continue with its collection ac-
2	tivities;
3	(ii) to cancel, adjust, compromise, or
4	reduce the amount of the loan; or
5	(iii) to modify any term or condition
6	of the loan, including any term or condi-
7	tion relating to the time of payment of any
8	installment of principal, or portion of prin-
9	cipal, that is payable under the loan.
10	(g) Administration and Assistance.—
11	(1) IN GENERAL.—Consistent with section
12	301(i), the Chief Executive Project Officer shall, out
13	of funds available in the Fund—
14	(A) pay expenses incurred by the Chief Ex-
15	ecutive Project Officer in administering the
16	Fund; and
17	(B) provide competent management and
18	technical assistance to borrowers of loans made
19	under subsection (a) to assist the borrowers to
20	achieve the purposes of the loans.
21	(2) Assistance by the secretary.—The
22	Secretary shall provide to the chief executive officer
23	of the organization and the Chief Executive Project
24	Officer such management and technical assistance as
25	the chief executive officer of the organization and

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the Chief Executive Project Officer may request in
 order to carry out the provisions of this section.

3 (h) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary may prescribe
4 such regulations as may be necessary to carry out the ob5 jectives of this section, including regulations involving re6 porting and auditing.

7 TITLE IV—EXPANDING YOUTH 8 DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNI9 TIES DURING NON-SCHOOL

10 HOURS

11 SEC. 401. PURPOSE.

12 The purpose of this title is to establish programs that 13 provide care for school-age youth during non-school hours, 14 in order to create activities for youth that better enable 15 youth to develop the skills and competencies that are nec-16 essary to successfully transition from childhood to adult-17 hood.

18 SEC. 402. DEFINITIONS.

19 In this title:

(1) ASSISTANT SECRETARY.—The term "Assistant Secretary" means the Assistant Secretary for
Children and Families of the Department of Health
and Human Services.

24 (2) NON-SCHOOL HOURS PROGRAM.—The term
25 "non-school hours program" means a program, such

1	as a youth development program, that provides care
2	for youth during non-school hours.
3	(3) PROTECTIVE FACTORS.—The term "protec-
4	tive factors" means research-based factors or activi-
5	ties that enable youth to resist high-risk behaviors
6	that may produce negative health or social outcomes.
7	(4) RISK FACTORS.—The term "risk factors"
8	means research-based precursors that predict an in-
9	creased probability of developing high-risk behavior.
10	(5) YOUTH.—The term "youth" means an indi-
11	vidual who is attending an elementary or secondary
12	school, as defined in section 14101 of the Elemen-
13	tary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20
14	U.S.C. 8801).
15	(6) Youth development program.—The
16	term "youth development program" means a pro-
17	gram that—
18	(A) in order to enable youth to deal suc-
19	cessfully with the challenges of adolescence and
20	prepare the youth for the independence and re-
21	sponsibilities of being parents, workers, and
22	citizens, helps the youth to develop—
23	(i) social competencies, such as work
24	and family life skills, problem-solving
25	skills, and communication skills;

1 (ii) physical competencies, such as 2 physical conditioning, endurance, and an appreciation for and strategies to achieve 3 4 lifelong physical health and fitness; (iii) emotional competencies, such as a 5 sense of personal identity, self-confidence, 6 7 autonomy, and the ability to resist negative 8 peer pressure; 9 (iv) moral competencies, such as char-10 acter development, personal values, ethics, 11 and a sense of responsibility and citizenship (including participation in civic life 12 13 and community service); and 14 (v) cognitive competencies, such as 15 knowledge, reasoning ability, creativity, 16 and a lifelong commitment to learning and 17 achievement; 18 (B) conducts activities that (excluding aca-19 demic activities conducted outside the classroom 20 and tutoring) have a primarily nonacademic 21 focus: 22 (C) employs primarily active and experi-23 mental learning methods;

1 (D) builds relationships between adults who are positive adult role models and youth in 2 3 a non-school hours program setting; and 4 (E) promotes the competencies described 5 in subparagraph (A) through group or one-to-6 one activities, which may include activities au-7 thorized under section 408(b). 8 SEC. 403. ESTABLISHMENT OF PROGRAM. 9 (a) GRANTS.—The Assistant Secretary shall award 10 grants to eligible States, from allotments made under section 404, to enable the eligible States to award grants to 11 12 entities to pay for the Federal share of the cost of estab-13 lishing quality non-school hours programs. 14 (b) FEDERAL SHARE.— 15 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Federal share of the 16 cost described in subsection (a) shall be 80 percent. 17 (2) NON-FEDERAL SHARE.—The non-Federal 18 share of the cost described in subsection (a) may be 19 contributed in cash or in kind, fairly evaluated, in-20 cluding facilities, equipment, or services (which may 21 be provided from State or local public sources or 22 through donations from private entities). For pur-23 poses of this paragraph the term "facilities" includes the use of facilities, but the term "equipment" 24

means donated equipment and not the use of equip ment.

3 SEC. 404. STATE ALLOTMENTS.

4 (a) RESERVATION.—The Assistant Secretary shall re5 serve not more than ¹/₂ of 1 percent of the amount appro6 priated under section 412 for each fiscal year for pay7 ments to Guam, American Samoa, the United States Vir8 gin Islands, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mar9 iana Islands, to be allotted in accordance with their re10 spective needs for assistance under this title.

(b) ALLOTMENTS.—From the amount appropriated
under section 412 for each fiscal year and remaining after
amounts are reserved under subsection (a), the Assistant
Secretary shall allot to each State that has an application
approved under section 405, an amount determined under
subsection (c).

17 (c) Allotment Formula.—

18 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2),
19 the Assistant Secretary shall allot to each State an
20 amount equal to the sum of—

21 (A) an amount that bears the same ratio
22 to 50 percent of the remainder described in
23 subsection (b) as the number of children and
24 youth who are age 5 through 17 in the State

1	bears to the number of such children and youth
2	in all States; and
3	(B) an amount that bears the same ratio
4	to 50 percent of the remainder as the number
5	of children and youth in the State who are re-
6	ceiving free or reduced price lunches under the
7	school lunch program established under the Na-
8	tional School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1751 et
9	seq.) bears to the number of such children and
10	youth in all States.
11	(2) MINIMUM ALLOTMENT.—No State shall re-
12	ceive an allotment under paragraph (1) for a fiscal
13	year in an amount that is less than $\frac{1}{2}$ of 1 percent
14	of the total amount appropriated for the fiscal year
15	under section 412.
16	(d) DATA AND INFORMATION.—The Assistant Sec-
17	retary shall obtain from each appropriate Federal agency,
18	the most recent data and information necessary to deter-
19	mine the allotments provided for in this section.
20	(e) Reallotments.—
21	(1) IN GENERAL.—Any portion of the allotment
22	to a State that is not used for activities under sec-
23	tion 408 or subsection (g), in the fiscal year for
24	which the allotment is made available, shall be real-
25	lotted by the Assistant Secretary to other States in

proportion to the original allotments to the other
 States.

3 (2) LIMITATIONS.—

4 (\mathbf{A}) REDUCTION OF REALLOTMENT AMOUNT.—The amount of any reallotment to 5 6 which a State is entitled under paragraph (1)7 shall be reduced to the extent that the allot-8 ment exceeds the amount that the Assistant 9 Secretary estimates will be used by the State or entities in the State to carry out activities 10 11 under section 408 or subsection (g).

12 (B) REALLOTMENT OF THE REDUCTION.—
13 The amount of any reduction under subpara14 graph (A) shall be reallotted among all other
15 States for which no reduction in an allotment
16 or reallotment is required by this subsection.

17 (3) AMOUNTS REALLOTTED.—For purposes of
18 this title, any amount reallotted to a State under
19 this subsection from an allotment made for a fiscal
20 year shall be considered to be part of the allotment
21 made under subsection (b) to the State for the fol22 lowing fiscal year.

23 (f) SUPPLEMENT NOT SUPPLANT.—Amounts re-24 ceived under this section shall be used to supplement and

not supplant other Federal, State, and local public funds 1 2 expended to provide non-school hours programs. 3 (g) ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS.—A State that receives 4 a grant under this title may use— 5 (1) not more than 5 percent of the funds made 6 available through the grant to carry out training and 7 technical assistance activities under this title; and 8 (2) not more than an additional 10 percent of 9 the funds to pay for other costs associated with ad-10 ministering activities under this title. 11 (h) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term "State" means the 50 States, the District of Columbia, and the 12 13 Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

14 SEC. 405. STATE APPLICATION.

(a) IN GENERAL.—To be eligible for a grant under
this title, a State shall submit an application to the Assistant Secretary at such time, in such manner, and accompanied by such information as the Assistant Secretary
may reasonably require.

20 (b) CONTENTS.—Each application submitted pursu-21 ant to subsection (a) shall contain—

(1) such information as the Assistant Secretary
determines is necessary to ensure that the grant will
be distributed and used in accordance with this title;
and

(2) information designating administrative re gions (in which the administration of Federal or
 State programs is carried out), or political subdivi sions, of the State as regions to which funds will be
 allocated under section 406.

6 SEC. 406. LOCAL ALLOCATIONS AND GRANTS.

7 (a) ALLOCATIONS.—From the funds made available
8 to a State under section 404(b) for each fiscal year and
9 not used under section 404(g), the State shall allocate to
10 each region designated under section 405(b)(2) an amount
11 equal to the sum of—

(1) an amount that bears the same ratio to 50
percent of the remainder as the number of children
and youth who are age 5 through 17 in the region
bears to the number of such children and youth in
all regions of the State; and

17 (2) an amount that bears the same ratio to 50 18 percent of the remainder as the number of children 19 and youth in the region who are receiving free or re-20 duced price lunches under the school lunch program 21 established under the National School Lunch Act 22 (42 U.S.C. 1751 et seq.) bears to the number of 23 such children and youth in all regions of the State. 24 (b) Allocation Data and Information.—The 25 State shall obtain from each appropriate Federal or State

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agency, the most recent data and information necessary

2 to determine the allocations provided for in this section. 3 (c) REALLOCATIONS.— 4 (1) IN GENERAL.—Any portion of the allocation 5 to a region that is not used for activities under sec-6 tion 408, in the fiscal year for which the allocation 7 is made available, shall be reallocated by the State 8 to other regions in proportion to the original allocations. 9 10 (2) LIMITATIONS.— 11 (\mathbf{A}) REDUCTION OF REALLOCATION 12 AMOUNT.—The amount of any reallocation to 13 which a region is entitled under paragraph (1)14 shall be reduced to the extent that the alloca-15 tion exceeds the amount that the State esti-16 mates will be used by entities in the region to

(B) REALLOCATION OF THE REDUCTION.—The amount of any reduction under
subparagraph (A) shall be reallocated among
other regions for which no reduction in an allocation or reallocation is required by this subsection.

carry out activities under section 408.

24 (3) AMOUNTS REALLOCATED.—For purposes of25 this title, any amount reallocated to a region under

this subsection from an allocation made for a fiscal
 year shall be considered to be part of the allocation
 made under subsection (a) to the region for the fol lowing fiscal year.

5 (d) GRANTS.—The State shall use the funds allocated
6 to each region under subsection (a) to award grants, on
7 a competitive basis, to entities in that region.

8 (e) PREFERENCE.—In awarding a grant under sub-9 section (d), the State shall give preference to an entity 10 that provides an assurance that the entity will use the 11 funds made available through the grant to carry out a 12 non-school hours program that will—

(1) have activities that are designed to remove
barriers to the availability of non-school hours child
care; and

16 (2) coordinate resources from public and pri17 vate entities to achieve a cohesive network consisting
18 of a variety of activities for youth.

(f) SUPPLEMENT NOT SUPPLANT.—Amounts received under this section shall be used to supplement and
not supplant other Federal, State, and local public funds
expended to provide non-school hours programs.

23 SEC. 407. LOCAL APPLICATION.

(a) IN GENERAL.—An entity within a region that de-sires to receive a grant under section 406 shall submit

an application to the State at such time, in such manner,
 and accompanied by such information as the State may
 require.

4 (b) CONTENTS.—Each application submitted pursu5 ant to subsection (a) shall contain—

6 (1) a statement that demonstrates that the en-7 tity maintains cooperative agreements with a broad 8 range of community entities that provide direct or 9 indirect services to youth; and

10 (2) such information as the State determines is
11 necessary to ensure that the allocation will be dis12 tributed and used in accordance with this title.

13 SEC. 408. USE OF GRANT FUNDS.

(a) PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS.—Funds made available through a grant received under this title for a nonschool hours program shall be used by an entity to pay
for activities that—

(1) meet the child care needs of working parents during non-school hours, including the hours
before and after school, weekends, school holidays,
vacation periods, and other non-school hours;

22 (2) address at least 2 of the competencies de23 scribed under paragraph (6)(A) of section 402;

24 (3) are designed to reduce risk factors;

1	(4) are designed to increase protective factors;
2	and
3	(5) are designed to assist youth in acquiring
4	skills and competencies necessary to make a success-
5	ful transition from childhood to adulthood.
6	(b) AUTHORIZED ACTIVITIES.—Funds made avail-
7	able through a grant received under this title may be used
8	by an entity for activities for youth, including activities
9	that focus on or promote—
10	(1) leadership development;
11	(2) mentoring;
12	(3) crime and delinquency prevention;
13	(4) community service or volunteerism;
14	(5) literacy;
15	(6) involvement in youth groups;
16	(7) sports and recreation;
17	(8) peer counseling and teaching;
18	(9) the arts;
19	(10) character development;
20	(11) prevention of violence, including domestic
21	violence;
22	(12) mediation skills training;
23	(13) drug abuse prevention;
24	(14) alcohol education;
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1	(16) camping and environmental education;
2	(17) ethnic or cultural enrichment; and
3	(18) tutoring and academic enrichment.
4	(c) LIMITATION.—
5	(1) LOW-INCOME YOUTH.—Each entity that re-
6	ceives a grant under this title shall use not less than
7	50 percent of the funds made available through the
8	grant to subsidize the cost of activities described in
9	subsection (b) for youth who are children of families
10	that meet the income eligibility guidelines for free or
11	reduced price lunches under section 9(b) of the Na-
12	tional School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1758(b)).
13	(2) INFORMATION.—An entity that receives a
14	grant under this title shall be considered to be a per-
15	son directly connected with the administration of a
16	Federal education program for purposes of section
17	9(b)(2)(C)(iii)(II)(aa) of the National School Lunch
18	Act (42 U.S.C. 1758(b)(2)(C)(iii)(II)(aa)). A school
19	serving youth who are receiving services under this
20	title from the entity shall provide information to the
21	entity on the income eligibility status of the youth
22	who are children described in section $9(b)(2)(C)(iv)$
23	of such Act (42 U.S.C. 1758(b)(2)(C)(iv)), in ac-
24	cordance with that section, to enable the entity to
25	meet the requirements of paragraph (1).

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3 (a) MONITORING AND EVALUATION.—The Assistant
4 Secretary shall develop and establish a system for moni5 toring and evaluating the effectiveness of activities funded
6 under this title.

7 (b) COORDINATION.—The Assistant Secretary shall 8 consult with the heads of appropriate Federal agencies, 9 including the Administrator of the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, and other Federal offi-10 cers carrying out Federal non-school hours programs, to 11 ensure effective coordination of activities funded under 12 this title with other Federal programs serving youth and 13 families. 14

(c) TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—The
Assistant Secretary shall develop and establish a system
for providing training and technical assistance to States
and local entities to increase their capacity to provide
quality non-school hours programs.

(d) NONCOMPLIANCE.—If the Assistant Secretary determines, based on a review of the annual reports, audits,
or other documentation required under this title, that a
State or an entity that receives a grant under this title
is not complying with the requirements of this title, the
Assistant Secretary shall—

(1) inform the State or entity of the deficiencies
 that need correction;

3 (2) provide appropriate training and technical
4 assistance designed to correct the deficiencies and
5 ensure compliance with the requirements; and

6 (3) initiate actions to terminate funding to the 7 State or an entity under this title if, after a reason-8 able period of time, the State or entity has not made 9 substantial efforts to correct the deficiencies and 10 comply with the requirements.

11 SEC. 410. STATE ADMINISTRATION; DUTIES OF THE STATES.

(a) DESIGNATION OF STATE ENTITY.—In order for
a State to receive a grant under this title, the Governor
of the State shall establish or designate an entity to administer the activities carried out in the State under this
title.

17 (b) YOUTH DEVELOPMENT INPUT.—The State shall 18 establish a mechanism to regularly receive advice and 19 input from a representative mix of individuals and organi-20 zations that provide services under this title to youth, or 21 receive services under this title, to improve the effective-22 ness and increase coordination of non-school hours pro-23 grams under this title in the State.

24 (c) REVIEW AND COMPLIANCE.—

1	(1) MONITORING OPERATIONS.—The State
2	shall have primary responsibility for ensuring that
3	the grant is administered in compliance with this
4	title.
5	(2) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—The State shall
6	provide technical assistance related to the develop-
7	ment and implementation of non-school hours pro-
8	grams receiving grants under this title.
9	(3) NONCOMPLIANCE.—If the State determines,
10	based on a review of the annual reports, audits, or
11	other documentation required under this title, that
12	an entity carrying out an activity funded by this title
13	is not complying with the requirements of this title,
14	the State shall—
15	(A) inform the entity of the deficiencies
16	that need correction;
17	(B) provide appropriate training and tech-
18	nical assistance designed to correct the defi-
19	ciencies and ensure compliance with the re-
20	quirements; and
21	(C) initiate actions to terminate funding to
22	the entity under this title if, after a reasonable
23	period of time, the entity has not made sub-
24	stantial efforts to correct the deficiencies and
25	comply with the requirements.

1	(d) Annual Report and Audit.—
2	(1) IN GENERAL.—Each State shall, not later
3	than 120 days after the end of each fiscal year of
4	the State, prepare and submit to the Assistant Sec-
5	retary an annual report, in such manner and con-
6	taining such information as the Assistant Secretary
7	may reasonably require to determine compliance
8	with this title.
9	(2) CONTENTS.—The report described in para-
10	graph (1) shall include—
11	(A) information on the activities funded in
12	the State under this title during the fiscal year;
13	and
14	(B) the extent to which the activities fund-
15	ed in the State have helped youth develop the
16	competencies described in paragraph (6) of sec-
17	tion 402.
18	(3) AUDIT.—Together with each report sub-
19	mitted under this section, the State shall submit the
20	findings of an independent audit conducted in ac-
21	cordance with chapter 75 of title 31, United States
22	Code, concerning such activities.
23	SEC. 411. COORDINATION WITH OTHER PROGRAMS.
24	Activities that receive funding under this title shall
25	be coordinated with programs and activities that receive

funding under the Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Com munities Act of 1994 (20 U.S.C. 7101 et seq.) or the 21st
 Century Community Learning Centers Act (20 U.S.C.
 8241 et seq.).
 SEC. 412. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—There is authorized to be appro-7 priated to carry out this title—

8 (1) \$500,000,000 for fiscal year 2000;

9 (2) \$600,000,000 for fiscal year 2001;

10 (3) \$700,000,000 for fiscal year 2002;

11 (4) \$800,000,000 for fiscal year 2003; and

12 (5) \$1,000,000,000 for fiscal year 2004.

(b) AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.—Subject to sections
404(e) and 406(c), no State or entity that receives funds
during a fiscal year may expend the funds after the end
of the fiscal year.

17 TITLE V—CHILD CARE IN

FEDERAL FACILITIES

19 SEC. 501. SHORT TITLE.

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20 This title may be cited as the "Federal Employees21 Child Care Act".

22 SEC. 502. DEFINITIONS.

In this title (except as otherwise provided in section505):

1	(1) Administrator.—The term "Adminis-
2	trator" means the Administrator of General Serv-
3	ices.
4	(2) CHILD CARE ACCREDITATION ENTITY.—The
5	term "child care accreditation entity" means a non-
6	profit private organization or public agency that—
7	(A) is recognized by a State agency or by
8	a national organization that serves as a peer re-
9	view panel on the standards and procedures of
10	public and private child care or school accred-
11	iting bodies; and
12	(B) accredits a facility to provide child
13	care on the basis of—
14	(i) an accreditation or credentialing
15	instrument based on peer-validated re-
16	search;
17	(ii) compliance with applicable State
18	or local licensing requirements, as appro-
19	priate, for the facility;
20	(iii) outside monitoring of the facility;
21	and
22	(iv) criteria that provide assurances
23	of—

1	(I) use of developmentally appro-
2	priate health and safety standards at
3	the facility;
4	(II) use of developmentally ap-
5	propriate educational activities, as an
6	integral part of the child care pro-
7	gram carried out at the facility; and
8	(III) use of ongoing staff devel-
9	opment or training activities for the
10	staff of the facility, including related
11	skills-based testing.
12	(3) ENTITY SPONSORING A CHILD CARE FACIL-
13	ITY.—The term "entity sponsoring a child care facil-
14	ity" means a Federal agency that operates, or an
15	entity that enters into a contract or licensing agree-
16	ment with a Federal agency to operate, a child care
17	facility primarily for the use of Federal employees.
18	(4) EXECUTIVE AGENCY.—The term "Executive
19	agency" has the meaning given the term in section
20	105 of title 5, United States Code, except that the
21	term—
22	(A) does not include the Department of
23	Defense and the Coast Guard; and

1	(B) includes the General Services Adminis-
2	tration, with respect to the administration of a
3	facility described in paragraph (5)(B).
4	(5) EXECUTIVE FACILITY.—The term "execu-
5	tive facility"—
6	(A) means a facility that is owned or
7	leased by an Executive agency; and
8	(B) includes a facility that is owned or
9	leased by the General Services Administration
10	on behalf of a judicial office.
11	(6) FEDERAL AGENCY.—The term "Federal
12	agency" means an Executive agency, a legislative of-
13	fice, or a judicial office.
14	(7) JUDICIAL FACILITY.—The term "judicial fa-
15	cility" means a facility that is owned or leased by a
16	judicial office (other than a facility that is also a fa-
17	cility described in paragraph (5)(B)).
18	(8) JUDICIAL OFFICE.—The term "judicial of-
19	fice" means an entity of the judicial branch of the
20	Federal Government.
21	(9) LEGISLATIVE FACILITY.—The term "legisla-
22	tive facility" means a facility that is owned or leased
23	by a legislative office.

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1	(10) LEGISLATIVE OFFICE.—The term "legisla-
2	tive office" means an entity of the legislative branch
3	of the Federal Government.
4	(11) STATE.—The term "State" has the mean-
5	ing given the term in section 658P of the Child Care
6	and Development Block Grant Act of 1990 (42)
7	U.S.C. 9858n).
8	SEC. 503. PROVIDING QUALITY CHILD CARE IN FEDERAL
9	FACILITIES.
10	(a) EXECUTIVE FACILITIES.—
11	(1) STATE AND LOCAL LICENSING REQUIRE-
12	MENTS.—
13	(A) IN GENERAL.—Any entity sponsoring
14	a child care facility in an executive facility
15	shall—
16	(i) comply with child care standards
17	described in paragraph (2) that are no less
18	stringent than applicable State or local li-
19	censing requirements that are related to
20	the provision of child care in the State or
21	locality involved; or
22	(ii) obtain the applicable State or local
23	licenses, as appropriate, for the facility.

- 1 (B) COMPLIANCE.—Not later than - 6 2 months after the date of enactment of this 3 Act-4 (i) the entity shall comply, or make 5 substantial progress (as determined by the 6 Administrator) toward complying, with 7 subparagraph (A); and 8 (ii) any contract or licensing agree-9 ment used by an Executive agency for the 10 provision of child care services in the child 11 care facility shall include a condition that 12 the child care be provided by an entity that 13 complies with the standards described in 14 subparagraph (A)(i) or obtains the licenses 15 described in subparagraph (A)(ii). 16 (2) HEALTH, SAFETY, AND FACILITY STAND-17 ARDS.—The Administrator shall by regulation estab-18 lish standards relating to health, safety, facilities, fa-19 cility design, and other aspects of child care that the 20 Administrator determines to be appropriate for child 21 care in executive facilities, and require child care fa-22 cilities, and entities sponsoring child care facilities, 23 in executive facilities to comply with the standards.
- 24 The standards shall include requirements that child

care facilities be inspected for, and be free of, lead
 hazards.

3 (3) Accreditation standards.—

4 (\mathbf{A}) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator 5 shall issue regulations requiring, to the max-6 imum extent possible, any entity sponsoring an 7 eligible child care facility (as defined by the Ad-8 ministrator) in an executive facility to comply 9 with standards of a child care accreditation en-10 tity.

(B) COMPLIANCE.—The regulations shall
require that, not later than 3 years after the
date of enactment of this Act—

(i) the entity shall comply, or make
substantial progress (as determined by the
Administrator) toward complying, with the
standards; and

(ii) any contract or licensing agreement used by an Executive agency for the
provision of child care services in the child
care facility shall include a condition that
the child care be provided by an entity that
complies with the standards.

24 (4) EVALUATION AND COMPLIANCE.—

1	(A) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator
2	shall evaluate the compliance, with the require-
3	ments of paragraph (1) and the regulations
4	issued pursuant to paragraphs (2) and (3) , as
5	appropriate, of child care facilities, and entities
6	sponsoring child care facilities, in executive fa-
7	cilities. The Administrator may conduct the
8	evaluation of such a child care facility or entity
9	directly, or through an agreement with another
10	Federal agency or private entity, other than the
11	Federal agency for which the child care facility
12	is providing services. If the Administrator de-
13	termines, on the basis of such an evaluation,
14	that the child care facility or entity is not in
15	compliance with the requirements, the Adminis-
16	trator shall notify the Executive agency.
17	(B) Effect of noncompliance.—On re-
18	ceipt of the notification of noncompliance issued
19	by the Administrator, the head of the Executive
20	agency shall—
21	(i) if the entity operating the child
22	care facility is the agency—
23	(I) not later than 2 business days
24	after the date of receipt of the notifi-

cation, correct any deficiencies that

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1	are determined by the Administrator
2	to be life threatening or to present a
3	risk of serious bodily harm;
4	(II) not later than 4 months
5	after the date of receipt of the notifi-
6	cation, develop and provide to the Ad-
7	ministrator a plan to correct any
8	other deficiencies in the operation of
9	the facility and bring the facility and
10	entity into compliance with the re-
11	quirements;
12	(III) provide the parents of the
13	children receiving child care services
14	at the child care facility and employ-
15	ees of the facility with a notification
16	detailing the deficiencies described in
17	subclauses (I) and (II) and actions
18	that will be taken to correct the defi-
19	ciencies, and post a copy of the notifi-
20	cation in a conspicuous place in the
21	facility for 5 working days or until the
22	deficiencies are corrected, whichever is
23	later;
24	(IV) bring the child care facility
25	and entity into compliance with the

1	requirements and certify to the Ad-
2	ministrator that the facility and entity
3	are in compliance, based on an onsite
4	evaluation of the facility conducted by
5	an individual with expertise in child
6	care health and safety; and
7	(V) in the event that deficiencies
8	determined by the Administrator to be
9	life threatening or to present a risk of
10	serious bodily harm cannot be cor-
11	rected within 2 business days after
12	the date of receipt of the notification,
13	close the child care facility, or the af-
14	fected portion of the facility, until the
15	deficiencies are corrected and notify
16	the Administrator of the closure; and
17	(ii) if the entity operating the child
18	care facility is a contractor or licensee of
19	the Executive agency—
20	(I) require the contractor or li-
21	censee, not later than 2 business days
22	after the date of receipt of the notifi-
23	cation, to correct any deficiencies that
24	are determined by the Administrator

1	to be life threatening or to present a
2	risk of serious bodily harm;
3	(II) require the contractor or li-
4	censee, not later than 4 months after
5	the date of receipt of the notification,
6	to develop and provide to the head of
7	the agency a plan to correct any other
8	deficiencies in the operation of the
9	child care facility and bring the facil-
10	ity and entity into compliance with
11	the requirements;
12	(III) require the contractor or li-
13	censee to provide the parents of the
14	children receiving child care services
15	at the child care facility and employ-
16	ees of the facility with a notification
17	detailing the deficiencies described in
18	subclauses (I) and (II) and actions
19	that will be taken to correct the defi-
20	ciencies, and to post a copy of the no-
21	tification in a conspicuous place in the
22	facility for 5 working days or until the
23	deficiencies are corrected, whichever is
24	later;

1	(IV) require the contractor or li-
2	censee to bring the child care facility
3	and entity into compliance with the
4	requirements and certify to the head
5	of the agency that the facility and en-
6	tity are in compliance, based on an
7	onsite evaluation of the facility con-
8	ducted by an independent entity with
9	expertise in child care health and
10	safety; and
11	(V) in the event that deficiencies
12	determined by the Administrator to be
13	life threatening or to present a risk of
14	serious bodily harm cannot be cor-
15	rected within 2 business days after
16	the date of receipt of the notification,
17	close the child care facility, or the af-
18	fected portion of the facility, until the
19	deficiencies are corrected and notify
20	the Administrator of the closure,
21	which closure may be grounds for the
22	immediate termination or suspension
23	of the contract or license of the con-
24	tractor or licensee.

1	(C) Cost reimbursement.—The Execu-
2	tive agency shall reimburse the Administrator
3	for the costs of carrying out subparagraph (A)
4	for child care facilities located in an executive
5	facility other than an executive facility of the
6	General Services Administration. If an entity is
7	sponsoring a child care facility for 2 or more
8	Executive agencies, the Administrator shall allo-
9	cate the reimbursement costs with respect to
10	the entity among the agencies in a fair and eq-
11	uitable manner, based on the extent to which
12	each agency is eligible to place children in the
13	facility.
14	(5) Disclosure of prior violations to par-
15	ENTS AND FACILITY EMPLOYEES.—
16	(A) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator
17	shall issue regulations that require that each
18	entity sponsoring a child care facility in an ex-
19	ecutive facility, upon receipt by the child care
20	facility or the entity (as applicable) of a request
21	by any individual who is—
22	(i) a parent of any child enrolled at
23	the facility;

1	(ii) a parent of a child for whom an
2	application has been submitted to enroll at
3	the facility; or
4	(iii) an employee of the facility;
5	shall provide to the individual the copies and
6	description described in subparagraph (B).
7	(B) COPIES AND DESCRIPTION.—The enti-
8	ty shall provide—
9	(i) copies of all notifications of defi-
10	ciencies that have been provided in the
11	past with respect to the facility under
12	clause (i)(III) or (ii)(III), as applicable, of
13	paragraph $(4)(B)$; and
14	(ii) a description of the actions that
15	were taken to correct the deficiencies.
16	(b) LEGISLATIVE FACILITIES.—
17	(1) ACCREDITATION.—The Chief Administra-
18	tive Officer of the House of Representatives, the Li-
19	brarian of Congress, and the head of a designated
20	entity in the Senate shall ensure that, not later than
21	1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the
22	corresponding child care facility obtains accredita-
23	tion by a child care accreditation entity, in accord-
24	ance with the accreditation standards of the entity.
25	(2) Regulations.—

1	(A) IN GENERAL.—If the corresponding
2	child care facility does not maintain accredita-
3	tion status with a child care accreditation enti-
4	ty, the Chief Administrative Officer of the
5	House of Representatives, the Librarian of Con-
6	gress, or the head of the designated entity in
7	the Senate shall issue regulations governing the
8	operation of the corresponding child care facil-
9	ity, to ensure the safety and quality of care of
10	children placed in the facility. The regulations
11	shall be no less stringent in content and effect
12	than the requirements of subsection $(a)(1)$ and
13	the regulations issued by the Administrator
14	under paragraphs (2) and (3) of subsection (a),
15	except to the extent that appropriate adminis-
16	trative officers make the determination de-
17	scribed in subparagraph (B).
18	(B) MODIFICATION MORE EFFECTIVE.—
19	The determination referred to in subparagraph
20	(A) is a determination, for good cause shown
21	and stated together with the regulations, that a
22	modification of the regulations would be more
23	effective for the implementation of the require-
24	ments and standards described in subsection (a)

for the corresponding child care facilities, and

entities sponsoring the corresponding child care facilities, in legislative facilities.

3 (3) Corresponding Child Care Facility.— 4 In this subsection, the term "corresponding child 5 care facility", used with respect to the Chief Admin-6 istrative Officer, the Librarian, or the head of a des-7 ignated entity described in paragraph (1), means a 8 child care facility operated by, or under a contract 9 or licensing agreement with, an office of the House 10 of Representatives, the Library of Congress, or an 11 office of the Senate, respectively.

12 (c) JUDICIAL BRANCH STANDARDS AND COMPLI-13 ANCE.—

14 (1) STATE AND LOCAL LICENSING REQUIRE-15 MENTS HEALTH, SAFETY, AND FACILITY STAND-16 ARDS, AND ACCREDITATION STANDARDS.—The Di-17 rector of the Administrative Office of the United 18 States Courts shall issue regulations for child care 19 facilities, and entities sponsoring child care facilities, 20 in judicial facilities, which shall be no less stringent 21 in content and effect than the requirements of sub-22 section (a)(1) and the regulations issued by the Ad-23 ministrator under paragraphs (2) and (3) of sub-24 section (a), except to the extent that the Director 25 may determine, for good cause shown and stated to-

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1	gether with the regulations, that a modification of
2	such regulations would be more effective for the im-
3	plementation of the requirements and standards de-
4	scribed in paragraphs (1), (2), and (3) of subsection
5	(a) for child care facilities, and entities sponsoring
6	child care facilities, in judicial facilities.
7	(2) EVALUATION AND COMPLIANCE.—
8	(A) DIRECTOR OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE
9	OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES COURTS.—The
10	Director of the Administrative Office of the
11	United States Courts shall have the same au-
12	thorities and duties with respect to the evalua-
13	tion of, compliance of, and cost reimbursement
14	for child care facilities, and entities sponsoring
15	child care facilities, in judicial facilities as the
16	Administrator has under subsection $(a)(4)$ with
17	respect to the evaluation of, compliance of, and
18	cost reimbursement for such centers and enti-
19	ties sponsoring such centers, in executive facili-
20	ties.
21	(B) HEAD OF A JUDICIAL OFFICE.—The
22	head of a judicial office shall have the same au-
23	thorities and duties with respect to the compli-
24	ance of and cost reimbursement for child care

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cilities, in judicial facilities as the head of an
 Executive agency has under subsection (a)(4)
 with respect to the compliance of and cost reim bursement for such centers and entities spon soring such centers, in executive facilities.

6 (d) APPLICATION.—Notwithstanding any other provi-7 sion of this section, if 8 or more child care facilities are 8 sponsored in facilities owned or leased by an Executive 9 agency, the Administrator shall delegate to the head of 10 the agency the evaluation and compliance responsibilities 11 assigned to the Administrator under subsection (a)(4)(A).

12 (e) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, STUDIES, AND RE-13 VIEWS.—The Administrator may provide technical assistance, and conduct and provide the results of studies and 14 15 reviews, for Executive agencies, and entities sponsoring child care facilities in executive facilities, on a reimburs-16 17 able basis, in order to assist the entities in complying with this section. The Chief Administrative Officer of the 18 19 House of Representatives, the Librarian of Congress, the 20 head of the designated Senate entity described in sub-21 section (b), and the Director of the Administrative Office 22 of the United States Courts, may provide technical assist-23 ance, and conduct and provide the results of studies and reviews, or request that the Administrator provide tech-24 25 nical assistance, and conduct and provide the results of studies and reviews, for legislative offices and judicial of fices, as appropriate, and entities operating child care fa cilities in legislative facilities or judicial facilities, as ap propriate, on a reimbursable basis, in order to assist the
 entities in complying with this section.

6 (f) INTERAGENCY COUNCIL.—

7 (1) COMPOSITION.—The Administrator shall es8 tablish an interagency council, comprised of—

9 (A) representatives of all Executive agen-10 cies described in subsection (d) and other Exec-11 utive agencies at the election of the heads of the 12 agencies;

(B) a representative of the Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives,
at the election of the Chief Administrative Officer;

17 (C) a representative of the head of the des18 ignated Senate entity described in subsection
19 (b), at the election of the head of the entity;

20 (D) a representative of the Librarian of
21 Congress, at the election of the Librarian; and
22 (E) a representative of the Director of the
23 Administrative Office of the United States
24 Courts, at the election of the Director.

1 (2) FUNCTIONS.—The council shall facilitate 2 cooperation and sharing of best practices, and de-3 velop and coordinate policy, regarding the provision 4 of child care, including the provision of areas for 5 nursing mothers and other lactation support facili-6 ties and services, in the Federal Government.

7 (g) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is
8 authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section
9 \$900,000 for fiscal year 2000 and such sums as may be
10 necessary for each subsequent fiscal year.

11 SEC. 504. FEDERAL CHILD CARE EVALUATION.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after the
date of enactment of this Act, the Administrator and the
Director of the Office of Personnel Management shall
jointly prepare and submit to Congress a report that evaluates child care provided by entities sponsoring child care
facilities in executive facilities, legislative facilities, or judicial facilities.

19 (b) CONTENTS.—The evaluation shall contain, at a20 minimum—

(1) information on the number of children receiving child care described in subsection (a), analyzed by age, including information on the number
of those children who are age 6 through 12;

(2) information on the number of families not
 using child care described in subsection (a) because
 of the cost of the child care; and

4 (3) recommendations for improving the quality
5 and cost effectiveness of child care described in sub6 section (a), including recommendations of options
7 for creating an optimal organizational structure and
8 using best practices for the delivery of the child
9 care.

10 SEC. 505. CHILD CARE SERVICES FOR FEDERAL EMPLOY 11 EES.

12 (a) IN GENERAL.—In addition to services authorized to be provided by an agency of the United States pursuant 13 to section 616 of the Act of December 22, 1987 (40 14 15 U.S.C. 490b), an Executive agency that provides or proposes to provide child care services for Federal employees 16 17 may use agency funds to provide the child care services, in a facility that is owned or leased by an Executive agen-18 cy, or through a contractor, for civilian employees of the 19 20 agency.

(b) AFFORDABILITY.—Funds so used with respect to
any such facility or contractor shall be applied to improve
the affordability of child care for lower income Federal
employees using or seeking to use the child care services
offered by the facility or contractor.

(c) REGULATIONS.—The Administrator, after con sultation with the Director of the Office of Personnel Man agement, shall, within 180 days after the date of enact ment of this Act, issue regulations necessary to carry out
 this section.

6 (d) DEFINITION.—For purposes of this section, the
7 term "Executive agency" has the meaning given the term
8 by section 105 of title 5, United States Code, but does
9 not include the General Accounting Office.

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 SEC. 506. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS RELATING TO

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(a) AVAILABILITY OF FEDERAL CHILD CARE CEN14 TERS FOR ONSITE CONTRACTORS; PERCENTAGE GOAL.—
15 Section 616 of the Act of December 22, 1987 (40 U.S.C.
16 490b) is amended—

17 (1) in subsection (a)—

18 (A) by striking "officer or agency of the
19 United States" and inserting "Federal agency
20 or officer of a Federal agency"; and

(B) by striking paragraphs (2) and (3) andinserting the following:

23 "(2) the officer or agency determines that the
24 space will be used to provide child care and related
25 services to—

1	"(A) children of Federal employees or on-
2	site Federal contractors; or
3	"(B) dependent children who live with
4	Federal employees or onsite Federal contrac-
5	tors; and
6	"(3) the officer or agency determines that the
7	individual or entity will give priority for available
8	child care and related services in the space to Fed-
9	eral employees and onsite Federal contractors."; and
10	(2) by adding at the end the following:
11	"(e)(1)(A) The Administrator of General Services
12	shall confirm that at least 50 percent of aggregate enroll-
13	ment in Federal child care centers governmentwide are
14	children of Federal employees or onsite Federal contrac-
15	tors, or dependent children who live with Federal employ-
16	ees or onsite Federal contractors.
17	"(B) Each provider of child care services at an indi-
18	vidual Federal child care center shall maintain 50 percent
19	of the enrollment at the center of children described under
20	subparagraph (A) as a goal for enrollment at the center.
21	"(C)(i) If enrollment at a center does not meet the
22	percentage goal under subparagraph (B), the provider
23	shall develop and implement a business plan with the
24	sponsoring Federal agency to achieve the goal within a
25	reasonable timeframe.

1 "(ii) The plan shall be approved by the Administrator 2 of General Services based on— 3 "(I) compliance of the plan with standards es-4 tablished by the Administrator; and 5 "(II) the effect of the plan on achieving the ag-6 gregate Federal enrollment percentage goal. 7 "(2) The Administrator of General Services Adminis-8 tration may enter into public-private partnerships or con-9 tracts with nongovernmental entities to increase the ca-10 pacity, quality, affordability, or range of child care and related services and may, on a demonstration basis, waive 11 12 subsection (a)(3) and paragraph (1) of this subsection.". 13 (b) PAYMENT OF COSTS OF TRAINING PROGRAMS.— Section 616(b)(3) of such Act (40 U.S.C. 490b(b)(3)) is 14 15 amended to read as follows: 16 "(3) If a Federal agency has a child care facility in 17 a Federal space, or is a sponsoring agency for a child care facility in a Federal space, the agency or the General Serv-

18 facility in a Federal space, the agency or the General Serv-19 ices Administration may pay accreditation fees, including 20 renewal fees, for that center to be accredited. Any Federal 21 agency that provides or proposes to provide child care 22 services for children referred to in subsection (a)(2), may 23 reimburse any Federal employee or any person employed 24 to provide the services for the costs of training programs, 25 conferences, and meetings and related travel, transportation, and subsistence expenses incurred in connection
 with those activities. Any per diem allowance made under
 this section shall not exceed the rate specified in regula tions prescribed under section 5707 of title 5, United
 States Code.".

6 (c) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—
7 Section 616(c) of such Act (40 U.S.C. 490b(c)) is
8 amended—

9 (1) by inserting "Federal" before "child care10 centers"; and

(2) by striking "Federal workers" and inserting
"Federal employees".

13 (d) PROVISION OF CHILD CARE BY PRIVATE ENTI14 TIES.—Section 616(d) of such Act (40 U.S.C. 490b(d))
15 is amended to read as follows:

16 (d)(1) If a Federal agency has a child care facility 17 in a Federal space, or is a sponsoring agency for a child care facility in a Federal space, the agency, the child care 18 19 center board of directors, or the General Services Adminis-20 tration may enter into an agreement with 1 or more pri-21 vate entities under which the private entities would assist 22 in defraying the general operating expenses of the child 23 care providers including salaries and tuition assistance 24 programs at the facility.

1 "(2)(A) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, 2 if a Federal agency does not have a child care program, 3 or if the Administrator of General Services has identified 4 a need for child care for Federal employees at a Federal 5 agency providing child care services that do not meet the requirements of subsection (a), the agency or the Adminis-6 7 trator may enter into an agreement with a non-Federal, 8 licensed, and accredited child care facility, or a planned 9 child care facility that will become licensed and accredited, 10 for the provision of child care services for children of Fed-11 eral employees.

12 "(B) Before entering into an agreement, the head of 13 the Federal agency shall determine that child care services 14 to be provided through the agreement are more cost effec-15 tively provided through the arrangement than through es-16 tablishment of a Federal child care facility.

17 "(C) The Federal agency may provide any of the services described in subsection (b)(3) if, in exchange for 18 the services, the facility reserves child care spaces for chil-19 20 dren referred to in subsection (a)(2), as agreed to by the 21 parties. The cost of any such services provided by a Fed-22 eral agency to a Federal child care facility on behalf of 23 another Federal agency shall be reimbursed by the receiv-24 ing agency.

"(3) This subsection does not apply to residential
 child care programs.".

3 (e) PILOT PROJECTS.—Section 616 of such Act (40
4 U.S.C. 490b) is further amended by adding at the end
5 the following:

6 "(f)(1) Upon approval of the agency head, a Federal 7 agency may conduct a pilot project not otherwise author-8 ized by law for no more than 2 years to test innovative 9 approaches to providing alternative forms of quality child 10 care assistance for Federal employees. A Federal agency head may extend a pilot project for an additional 2-year 11 12 period. Before any pilot project may be implemented, a 13 determination shall be made by the agency head that initiating the pilot project would be more cost-effective than 14 15 establishing a new Federal child care facility. Costs of any pilot project shall be paid solely by the agency conducting 16 the pilot project. 17

18 "(2) The Administrator of General Services shall
19 serve as an information clearinghouse for pilot projects
20 initiated by other Federal agencies to disseminate infor21 mation concerning the pilot projects to the other Federal
22 agencies.

23 "(3) Within 6 months after completion of the initial
24 2-year pilot project period, a Federal agency conducting
25 a pilot project under this subsection shall provide for an

evaluation of the impact of the project on the delivery of
 child care services to Federal employees, and shall submit
 the results of the evaluation to the Administrator of Gen eral Services. The Administrator shall share the results
 with other Federal agencies.".

6 (f) BACKGROUND CHECK.—Section 616 of such Act
7 (40 U.S.C. 490b) is further amended by adding at the
8 end the following:

9 "(g) Each Federal child care center located in a Fed-10 eral space shall ensure that each employee of the center 11 (including any employee whose employment began before 12 the date of enactment of this subsection) shall undergo 13 a criminal history background check consistent with sec-14 tion 231 of the Crime Control Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 15 13041).".

16 (g) DEFINITIONS.—Section 616 of such Act (40
17 U.S.C. 490b) is further amended by adding at the end
18 the following:

19 "(h) In this section:

20 "(1) The term 'Federal agency' has the mean21 ing given the term 'Executive agency' in section 502
22 of the Federal Employees Child Care Act.

23 "(2) The terms 'Federal building' and 'Federal
24 space' have the meanings given the term 'executive
25 facility' in such section 502.

"(3) The term 'Federal child care center'
 means a child care center in an executive facility, as
 defined in such section 502.

4 "(4) The terms 'Federal contractor' and 'Fed5 eral employee' mean a contractor and an employee,
6 respectively, of an Executive agency, as defined in
7 such section 502.".

8 TITLE VI—EXPANDING CHILD 9 CARE SUBSIDY FOR LOW-IN10 COME FAMILIES

11 SEC. 601. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

12 Section 658B of the Child Care and Development 13 Block Grant Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 9858) is amended 14 by striking "\$1,000,000,000" and inserting 15 "\$2,000,000,000".

16 SEC. 602. APPLICATION AND PLAN.

Section 658E(c) of the Child Care and Development
Block Grant Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 9858c(c)) is
amended—

20 (1) in paragraph (2), by striking subparagraph21 (H) and inserting the following:

"(H) Provide an assurance that if the
State uses an automated system described in
section 658K(a)(3), the State will ensure that
the system—

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1	"(i) if used to provide payment for
2	child care services, operates in a manner
3	that ensures prompt and accurate payment
4	of child care providers; and
5	"(ii) does not limit parental choice.";
6	(2) in paragraph $(3)(D)$ —
7	(A) by striking "a substantial portion" and
8	inserting "not less than 70 percent"; and
9	(B) by striking "described in paragraph
10	(2)(H)" and inserting "receiving assistance
11	under a State program under part A of title IV
12	of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 601 et
13	seq.), families attempting to transition off the
14	assistance program through work activities, and
15	families that are at risk of becoming dependent
16	on the assistance program";
17	(3) in paragraph $(4)(A)$ —
18	(A) by inserting ", of the type chosen by
19	the parents of the children," after "comparable
20	child care services'; and
21	(B) by adding at the end the following:
22	"To ensure maximum parental choice, the State
23	plan shall provide that the rates for the State
24	shall be determined under separate rate sched-
25	ules dependent upon—

"(i) the age of the child served;
"(ii) the child care setting;
"(iii) the special needs of the child;
and
"(iv) the geographic location of the
services within a State."; and
(4) in paragraph (5)—
(A) by striking "The" and inserting the
following:
"(A) IN GENERAL.—The"; and
(B) by inserting after subparagraph (A)
(as designated in subparagraph (A)) the fol-
lowing:
"(B) Application of copayment.—The
State plan shall provide that, if the State pro-
vides to a family a subsidy authorized under
this subchapter that is less than 85 percent of
the applicable market rate determined under
paragraph (4) and also requires a copayment
from the family to meet the cost sharing re-
quirement of subparagraph (A), the State shall
reduce the amount of the copayment by the
amount of the difference between the market
rate and the subsidy.".

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1 SEC. 603. AUTOMATED SYSTEMS.

2 Section 658K(a) of the Child Care and Development
3 Block Grant Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 9858i(a)) is amended
4 by adding at the end the following:

5 "(3) AUTOMATED SYSTEMS.—A State that re6 ceives funds to carry out this subchapter may use an
7 automated system, including an electronic benefit
8 transfer system—

9 "(A) for monitoring or tracking child care
10 attendance or otherwise conducting data collec11 tion under this subchapter;

12 "(B) as a means of ensuring prompt and
13 accurate payment for child care services under
14 this subchapter; or

15 "(C) for other purposes that increase the
16 efficiency of the State in administering the
17 funds.".

1	TITLE VII—CONSTRUCTION AND
2	RENOVATION OF CHILD CARE
3	FACILITIES
4	Subtitle A—Community
5	Development Block Grants
6	SEC. 701. USE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK
7	GRANTS TO ESTABLISH CHILD CARE FACILI-
8	TIES.
9	Section 105(a) of the Housing and Community De-
10	velopment Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5305(a)) is amended—
11	(1) in paragraph (22), by striking "and" at the
12	end;
13	(2) in paragraph (23), by striking the period at
14	the end and inserting a semicolon;
15	(3) in paragraph (24), by striking "and" at the
16	end;
17	(4) in paragraph (25), by striking the period at
18	the end and inserting "; and"; and
19	(5) by adding at the end the following:
20	((26)) the construction and renovation of child
21	care facilities.".

1	Subtitle B—Mortgage Insurance
2	For Child Care Facilities
3	SEC. 711. INSURANCE FOR MORTGAGES ON NEW AND RE-
4	HABILITATED CHILD CARE FACILITIES.
5	Title II of the National Housing Act (12 U.S.C. 1707
6	et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following:
7	"SEC. 257. MORTGAGE INSURANCE FOR CHILD CARE FA-
8	CILITIES.
9	"(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:
10	"(1) CHILD CARE FACILITY.—The term 'child
11	care facility'—
12	"(A) means a public or private facility
13	that—
14	"(i) has as its purpose the care and
15	development of—
16	"(I) children who are less than
17	16 years of age; or
18	"(II) school-age children and
19	youth during non-school hours; and
20	"(ii) is operated in accordance with all
21	applicable State and local laws and regula-
22	tions; and
23	"(B) does not include any facility for
24	school-age children that is primarily for use
25	during normal school hours.

1	"(2) Equipment.—The term 'equipment'
2	includes—
3	"(A) machinery, utilities, and built-in
4	equipment, and any necessary enclosure or
5	structure to house them; and
6	"(B) any other items necessary for the
7	functioning of a particular facility as a child
8	care facility, including necessary furniture,
9	books, and curricular and program materials.
10	"(3) FIRST MORTGAGE.—The term 'first
11	mortgage'—
12	"(A) means such classes of first liens as
13	are commonly given to secure advances (includ-
14	ing advances during construction) on, or the
15	unpaid purchase price of, real estate under the
16	laws of the State in which the real estate is lo-
17	cated, together with the credit instrument or in-
18	struments (if any) secured thereby; and
19	"(B) includes any mortgage in the form of
20	1 or more trust mortgages or mortgage inden-

1 or more trust mortgages or mortgage indentures or deeds of trust, securing notes, bonds,
or other credit instruments, that, by the same
instrument or by a separate instrument, creates
a security interest in initial equipment, whether
or not attached to the realty.

1	"(4) MORTGAGE.—The term 'mortgage' means
2	a first mortgage on real estate in fee simple, or on
3	the interest of either the lessor or lessee thereof
4	under a lease having a period of not less than 7
5	years to run beyond the maturity date of the mort-
6	gage.
7	"(5) Mortgagor.—The term 'mortgagor' has
8	the meaning given the term in section 207(a).
9	"(b) INSURANCE OF MORTGAGES.—In order to facili-
10	tate the establishment and rehabilitation of child care fa-
11	cilities, the Secretary may—
12	"(1) insure a mortgage that is secured by a
13	property or project that is—
14	"(A) a new child care facility, including a
15	new addition to an existing child care facility
16	(regardless of whether the existing facility is
17	being rehabilitated); or
18	"(B) a substantially rehabilitated child
19	care facility, including equipment to be used in
20	the operation of the facility; and
21	"(2) make a commitment to insure any mort-
22	gage described in paragraph (1) before the date of
23	execution or disbursement of the mortgage.
24	"(c) TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—

1	"(1) ELIGIBLE CHILD CARE FACILITIES.—Each
2	mortgage insured under this section shall be secured
3	by a child care facility for which a certification of
4	compliance has been issued by the Secretary under
5	section 258(c) during the 12-month period preceding
6	the date on which the commitment to insure the
7	mortgage is issued under this section.
8	"(2) Approved Mortgagor.—
9	"(A) IN GENERAL.—Each mortgage in-
10	sured under this section shall be executed by a
11	mortgagor approved by the Secretary.
12	"(B) REGULATION.—The Secretary may—
13	"(i) require an approved mortgagor
14	who executes a mortgage under subpara-
15	graph (A) to be regulated with respect to
16	charges and methods of financing and, if
17	the mortgagor is a corporate entity, with
18	respect to capital structure and rate of re-
19	turn; and
20	"(ii) as an aid to the regulation of any
21	mortgagor under clause (i), make such
22	contracts with and acquire for not more
23	than \$100 such stock or interest in such
24	mortgagor as the Secretary considers to be
25	necessary.

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1	"(C) STOCK OR INTEREST.—Any stock or
2	interest purchased under subparagraph (B)(ii)
3	shall be—
4	"(i) paid for out of the General Insur-
5	ance Fund; and
6	"(ii) redeemed by the mortgagor at
7	par upon the termination of all obligations
8	of the Secretary under the insurance.
9	"(3) PRINCIPAL OBLIGATION.—Each mortgage
10	insured under this section shall involve a principal
11	obligation in an amount not to exceed 90 percent of
12	the estimated value of the property or project, or 95
13	percent of the estimated value of the property or
14	project in the case of a mortgagor that is a private
15	nonprofit corporation or association (as defined pur-
16	suant to section $221(d)(3)$, including—
17	"(A) equipment to be used in the operation
18	of the facility when the proposed improvements
19	are completed and the equipment is installed; or
20	"(B) a solar energy system (as defined in
21	subparagraph (3) of the last paragraph of sec-
22	tion 2(a)) or residential energy conservation
23	measures (as defined in subparagraphs (A)
24	through (G) and (I) of section $210(11)$ of the
25	National Energy Conservation Policy Act), in

1	cases in which the Secretary determines that
2	such measures are in addition to those required
3	under the minimum property standards and will
4	be cost-effective over the life of the measure.
5	"(4) Amortization and interest.—Each
6	mortgage insured under this section shall—
7	"(A) provide for complete amortization by
8	periodic payments under such terms as the Sec-
9	retary shall prescribe;
10	"(B) have a maturity date satisfactory to
11	the Secretary, but in no event longer than 25
12	years; and
13	"(C) bear interest at such rate as may be
14	agreed upon by the mortgagor and the mort-
15	gagee, and the Secretary shall not issue any
16	regulations or establish any terms or conditions
17	that interfere with the ability of the mortgagor
18	and mortgagee to determine the interest rate.
19	"(5) Release.—The Secretary may consent to
20	the release of a part or parts of the mortgaged prop-
21	erty or project from the lien of any mortgage in-
22	sured under this section upon such terms and condi-
23	tions as the Secretary may prescribe.
24	"(6) Mortgage insurance terms.—Sub-
25	sections (d), (e), (g), (h), (i), (j), (k), (l), and (n) of

section 207 apply to any mortgage insured under
 this section, except that all references in such sub sections to section 207 shall be construed, for pur poses of mortgage insurance under this section, to
 refer to this section.

6 "(d) Mortgage Insurance for Fire Safety7 Equipment Loans.—

8 "(1) AUTHORITY.—The Secretary may, upon 9 such terms and conditions as the Secretary may pre-10 scribe, make commitments to insure and insure 11 loans made by financial institutions or other ap-12 proved mortgagees to child care facilities to provide 13 for the purchase and installation of fire safety equip-14 ment necessary for compliance with the 1967 edition 15 of the Life Safety Code of the National Fire Protec-16 tion Association (or any subsequent edition specified 17 by the Secretary of Health and Human Services).

18 "(2) LOAN REQUIREMENTS.—To be eligible for
19 insurance under this subsection a loan shall—

20 "(A) not exceed the estimate by the Sec21 retary of the reasonable cost of the equipment
22 fully installed;

23 "(B) bear interest at such rate as may be
24 agreed upon by the mortgagor and the mort25 gagee;

1	"(C) have a maturity date satisfactory to
2	the Secretary;
3	"(D) be made by a financial institution or
4	other mortgagee approved by the Secretary as
5	eligible for insurance under section 2 or a mort-
6	gagee approved under section 203(b)(1);
7	"(E) comply with other such terms, condi-
8	tions, and restrictions as the Secretary may
9	prescribe; and
10	"(F) be made with respect to a child care
11	facility for which a certification of compliance
12	has been issued by the Secretary under section
13	258(c) during the 12-month period preceding
14	the date on which the commitment to insure is
15	issued under this subsection.
16	"(3) Insurance requirements.—
17	"(A) SECTION 2.—Subsections (c), (d),
18	and (h) of section 2 shall apply to any loan in-
19	sured under this subsection, except that all ref-
20	erences in such subsections to 'this section' or
21	'this title' shall be construed, for purposes of
22	this subsection, to refer to this subsection.
23	"(B) Section 220.—Paragraphs (5), (6),
24	(7), (9) , and (10) of section 220(h) shall apply
25	to any loan insured under this subsection, ex-

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1	cept that all references in such paragraphs to
2	home improvement loans shall be construed, for
3	purposes of this subsection, to refer to loans
4	under this subsection.
5	"(e) Schedules and Deadlines.—The Secretary
6	shall establish schedules and deadlines for the processing
7	and approval (or provision of notice of disapproval) of ap-
8	plications for mortgage insurance under this section.
9	"(f) Limitation on Insurance Authority.—
10	"(1) TERMINATION.—No mortgage may be in-
11	sured under this section or section 223(h) after Sep-
12	tember 30, 2005, except pursuant to a commitment
13	to insure issued on or before such date.
14	"(2) Aggregate principal amount limita-
15	TION.—
16	"(A) IN GENERAL.—The aggregate prin-
17	cipal amount of mortgages for which the Sec-
18	retary enters into commitments to insure under
19	this section or section 223(h) on or before the
20	date described in paragraph (1) may not exceed
21	\$2,000,000,000.
22	"(B) REPORT.—If, on the date described
23	in paragraph (1), the aggregate insurance au-
24	thority provided under this paragraph has not
25	been fully used, the Secretary of the Treasury

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1	shall submit to Congress a report evaluating the
2	need for continued mortgage insurance under
3	this section.
4	"(g) Nondiscrimination Requirement.—
5	"(1) IN GENERAL.—A child care facility receiv-
6	ing assistance under this title may not discriminate
7	on the basis of race, color, or national origin (to the
8	extent provided in title VI of the Civil Rights Act of
9	1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d et seq.)), religion (subject to
10	subparagraph (B)), national origin, sex (to the ex-
11	tent provided in title IX of the Education Amend-
12	ments of 1972 (20 U.S.C. 1681 et seq.)), or dis-
13	ability (to the extent provided in section 504 of the
14	Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794)), under
15	any program or activity receiving Federal financial
16	assistance under this title.
17	"(2) FACILITIES OF RELIGIOUS ORGANIZA-
18	TIONS.—The prohibition with respect to religion
19	under paragraph (1) shall not apply to a child care

facility that is controlled by, or that is closely identified with, the tenets of a particular religious organization, if the application of this paragraph would not be consistent with the religious tenets of such organization. 1 "(h) LIABILITY INSURANCE.—A child care provider 2 operating a child care facility assisted under this section 3 or section 223(h) shall obtain and maintain liability insur-4 ance in such amounts and subject to such requirements 5 as the Secretary considers to be appropriate.

6 "(i) SMALL PURPOSE LOANS.—

"(1) IN GENERAL.—To the extent that amounts
are made available pursuant to subsection (l), the
Secretary shall make loans, directly or indirectly, to
providers of child care facilities for reconstruction or
renovation of such facilities, in accordance with this
subsection.

13 "(2) REQUIREMENTS.—A loan under this
14 subsection—

15 "(A) may be made only for a child care fa16 cility that is financially and operationally viable,
17 as determined under standards established by
18 the Secretary;

19 "(B) may not have a term to maturity ex-20 ceeding 7 years;

21 "(C) shall bear interest at a rate estab-22 lished by the Secretary; and

23 "(D) shall be subject to such other terms
24 and conditions as the Secretary may establish
25 by regulation.

"(3) AGGREGATE LOAN AMOUNT.—The aggre gate amount of loans under this subsection to a sin gle provider may not exceed \$30,000.

4 "(j) NOTIFICATION.—The Secretary shall take such 5 actions as may be necessary to publicize the availability 6 of the programs for mortgage insurance under this section 7 and section 223(h), and the loan program under sub-8 section (i) of this section, in a manner that ensures that 9 information concerning such programs will be available to 10 child care providers throughout the United States.

11 "(k) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary shall—

12 "(1) issue any regulations necessary to carry13 out this section; and

"(2) in carrying out paragraph (1), consult with
the Secretary of Health and Human Services with
respect to any aspects of the regulations regarding
child care facilities.

"(1) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is
authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section
\$30,000,000 for fiscal year 2001, to remain available until
expended, of which not more than 10 percent may be used
for loans under subsection (i).".

1	SEC. 712. INSURANCE FOR MORTGAGES FOR ACQUISITION
2	OR REFINANCING DEBT OF EXISTING CHILD
3	CARE FACILITIES.
4	(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 223 of the National
5	Housing Act (12 U.S.C. 1715n) is amended by adding at
6	the end the following:
7	"(h) Mortgage Insurance for Purchase or Re-
8	FINANCING OF EXISTING CHILD CARE FACILITIES.—
9	"(1) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection, the
10	terms that are defined in section 257(a) have the
11	same meanings as in that section.
12	"(2) AUTHORITY.—Notwithstanding any other
13	provision of this Act, the Secretary may insure
14	under any section of this title a mortgage executed
15	in connection with—
16	"(A) the purchase or refinancing of an ex-
17	isting child care facility;
18	"(B) the purchase of a structure to serve
19	as a child care facility; or
20	"(C) the refinancing of existing debt of an
21	existing child care facility.
22	"(3) PURCHASE OF EXISTING FACILITIES AND
23	STRUCTURES.—In the case of the purchase under
24	this subsection of an existing child care facility or
25	purchase of an existing structure to serve as such a
26	facility, the Secretary shall prescribe any terms and

1	conditions that the Secretary considers necessary to
2	ensure that—
3	"(A) the facility or structure purchased
4	continues to be used as a child care facility; and
5	"(B) the facility receives a certification of
6	compliance under section 258(c).
7	"(4) Refinancing of existing facilities.—
8	In the case of refinancing of an existing child care
9	facility, the Secretary shall prescribe any terms and
10	conditions that the Secretary considers necessary to
11	ensure that—
12	"(A) the refinancing is used to lower the
13	monthly debt service costs (taking into account
14	any fees or charges connected with such refi-
15	nancing) of the existing facility;
16	"(B) the proceeds of any refinancing will
17	be employed only to retire the existing indebted-
18	ness and pay the necessary cost of refinancing
19	on the existing facility;
20	"(C) the existing facility is economically
21	viable; and
22	"(D) the facility receives a certification of
23	compliance under section 258(c).
24	"(5) Limitation on insurance authority.—
25	The authority of the Secretary to enter into commit-

1	ments to insure mortgages under this subsection is
2	subject to section 257(f).".
3	SEC. 713. STUDY OF AVAILABILITY OF SECONDARY MAR-
4	KETS FOR MORTGAGES ON CHILD CARE FA-
5	CILITIES.
6	(a) Study.—The Secretary of the Treasury shall
7	conduct a study of the secondary mortgage markets to
8	determine—
9	(1) whether such a market exists for purchase
10	of mortgages eligible for insurance under sections
11	223(h) and 257 of the National Housing Act (as
12	added by this subtitle);
13	(2) whether such a market would affect the
14	availability of credit available for development of
15	child care facilities or would lower development costs
16	of such facilities; and
17	(3) the extent to which such a market or other
18	activities to provide credit enhancement for loans for
19	child care facilities is needed to meet the demand for
20	such facilities.
21	(b) REPORT.—Not later than 2 years after the date
22	of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Treasury
23	shall submit to Congress a report regarding the results
24	of the study conducted under this section.

1	139 SEC. 714. TECHNICAL AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
2	GRANTS.
3	(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:
4	(1) CHILD CARE FACILITY.—The term "child
5	care facility" has the meaning given that term in
6	section 257(a) of the National Housing Act, as
7	added by section 711 of this subtitle.
8	(2) ELIGIBLE INTERMEDIARY.—The term "eli-
9	gible intermediary" means a private, nonprofit inter-
10	mediary organization that has demonstrated experi-
11	ence in—
12	(A) financing the construction and renova-
13	tion of physical facilities;
14	(B) providing technical and financial as-
15	sistance to child care providers or other similar
16	entities;
17	(C) working with small businesses; and
18	(D) securing private sources for capital fi-
19	nancing; and
20	(3) ELIGIBLE RECIPIENT.—The term "eligible
21	recipient" means any—
22	(A) existing or start-up center-based or
23	home-based child care provider; and
24	(B) organization in the process of estab-
25	lishing a center-based or home-based child care

program or otherwise seeking to provide child
 care services.

3 (4) EQUIPMENT.—The term "equipment" has
4 the meaning given that term in section 257(a) of the
5 National Housing Act, as added by section 711 of
6 this subtitle.

7 (b) GRANT AUTHORITY.—The Secretary of Housing 8 and Urban Development, in consultation with the Sec-9 retary of Health and Human Services, may award grants 10 on a competitive basis in accordance with this section to 11 eligible intermediaries for use in accordance with sub-12 sections (e) and (f).

(c) APPLICATIONS.—To be eligible to receive a grant
under this section an eligible intermediary shall submit to
the Secretary an application, in such form and containing
such information as the Secretary may require.

17 (d) PRIORITY.—In awarding grants under this sec18 tion the Secretary shall give a priority to applicants under
19 subsection (c) that serve low-income or rural areas.

20 (e) USE OF FUNDS.—

(1) REVOLVING LOAN FUND.—Each eligible
intermediary that receives a grant under this section
shall deposit the grant amount into a child care revolving loan fund established by the eligible intermediary.

1 (2) PAYMENTS FROM FUND.—Subject to sub-2 section (f), from amounts deposited into the revolv-3 ing loan fund under paragraph (1), each eligible 4 intermediary shall provide technical and financial as-5 sistance (in the form of loans, grants, investments, 6 guarantees, interest subsidies, and other appropriate 7 forms of assistance) to eligible recipients for the ac-8 quisition or improvement of child care facilities or 9 equipment.

10 (3) LOAN REPAYMENTS AND INVESTMENT PRO11 CEEDS.—Any amount received by an eligible inter12 mediary from an eligible recipient in the form of a
13 loan repayment or investment proceeds shall be de14 posited into the child care revolving fund of the eligi15 ble intermediary for redistribution to other eligible
16 recipients in accordance with this section.

17 (f) ALLOCATION OF FUNDS.—Of the amounts dis18 tributed from the revolving loan fund of an eligible inter19 mediary under subsection (e)(2) in each fiscal year—

(1) not less than 50 percent shall be used for
the renovation or construction of child care facilities
or the acquisition of equipment by eligible recipients,
except that the amount made available to any eligible recipient under this paragraph may not to exceed
40 percent of the total costs incurred by the eligible

recipient in connection with such renovation, con struction, or acquisition; and

3 (2) the amount remaining after distribution 4 under paragraph (1), shall be used to provide direct 5 assistance to eligible recipients in obtaining public or private financing for the renovation or construction 6 7 of child care facilities and the acquisition of equipment, including developing and implementing financ-8 ing resources, options, and plans for those recipi-9 10 ents.

(g) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is
authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section
\$10,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2000 through 2004.

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