107TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

H.R.4164

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 10, 2002

Mrs. Wilson of New Mexico introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Quality Child Care
- 5 Act of 2002".

1 SEC. 2. AMENDMENTS.

- 2 Section 658g of the Child Care and Development
- 3 Block Grant Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 6858e) is amended—
- 4 (1) by striking "4 percent" and inserting "8
- 5 percent", and
- 6 (2) by adding at the end the following:
- 7 "Not less than 50 percent of the funds required to be used
- 8 under this section shall be used to provide financial assist-
- 9 ance to eligible child care providers to carry out any activi-
- 10 ties involved in the process of obtaining accreditation from
- 11 a nationally recognized organization that provides accredi-
- 12 tation to child care providers.".
- 13 SEC. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.
- 14 This Act and the amendments made by this Act shall
- 15 take effect on the 1st day of the 1st fiscal year that begins
- 16 after the date of the enactment of this Act.

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