

1 ENGROSSED HOUSE
2 BILL NO. 2016

By: Ranson and Schreiber of the
House

3 and

4 Hicks of the Senate

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7 [poor persons - Department of Human Services -
8 program - standards - information - codification -
9 effective date]
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13 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

14 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
15 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 230.74 of Title 56, unless there
16 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

17 A. The Department of Human Services may utilize an enrollment-
18 based child care subsidy payments program that complies with all
19 applicable federal funding requirements and legal authority and that
20 seeks to provide adequate, stable payments to child care providers
21 under this section by establishing effective payment practices based
22 on accurate time and attendance systems.

23 B. The Department shall consider program standards, including,
24 but not limited to:

- 1 1. The child's developmental and educational goals when
2 authorizing care periods eligible for reimbursement;
- 3 2. Accommodation of variable parent schedules;
- 4 3. Authorizing pay based upon enrollment rather than
5 attendance;
- 6 4. Using a range of hours to determine authorized care amounts;
7 and
- 8 5. Simplifying and streamlining payment processes with
9 providers.

10 C. The Department shall publish on the Department's publicly
11 accessible website an overview of child care services and the
12 methodology used to issue payments to providers of child care
13 services, including any changes to the methodology during the
14 previous year, if applicable.

15 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2023.

16 Passed the House of Representatives the 14th day of March, 2024.

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Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives

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Passed the Senate the ___ day of _____, 2024.

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