



## Child Care for Working Families Act

The Child Care for Working Families Act would lower the cost of child care for families by establishing a sliding scale that ensures no family pays more than 7 percent of household income for child care and would provide free child care to families with the lowest incomes (those earning below 85 percent of the state median income). It would also provide funding to states to make grants to eligible child care providers primarily to cover the costs of operating a child care business, such as wages, benefits, and rent and utility payments. The act would make investments to build the supply of high-quality child care and pre-K options in diverse settings, including during nontraditional work hours. And lastly, it [makes investments in the workforce](#) by providing higher compensation and paying workers in a way that supports lower costs for families.

### **Additional Resources:**

- [Bill Summary from Offices of U.S. Senator Murray and U.S. Representative Bobby Scott](#)
- [5 Things To Know About the Child Care for Working Families Act - Center for American Progress](#) (Center for American Progress)
- [The Child Care for Working Families Act Overview](#) (Family Values @ Work)
- [Child Care for Working Families Act Reintroduced as Need for Care Options Soars](#) (The Century Foundation)
- Bill Text: [S. 1354](#) and [H.R. 2976](#)