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Committee Substitute

for

House Bill 4067

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[Originating in the Committee on Health and Human

Resources; Reported on February 17, 2026]

1 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section,
2 designated §49-2-113a, relating to child-care subsidies.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 2. STATE RESPONSIBILITIES FOR CHILDREN.

§49-2-113a. Child care support

1 (a) (1) A licensed child care program shall be paid subsidy payments based on monthly
2 enrollment.

3 (2) The department shall review quarterly, and make ineligible for the subsidy a parent
4 whose child does not attend a child care program on average of at least 8 days per month.

5 (3) For the purposes of this subsection, “day” means a child has attended a child care
6 program for 4 hours, or an afterschool program for 2.5 hours.

7 (b) An employee who works a minimum of 32 hours per week providing child care services
8 at a child care program or a family child care home within the state is eligible to receive a child care
9 subsidy regardless of income.

10 (c) The department shall use a cost of care modeling tool to determine the amount the
11 subsidy, and report to the Joint Committee on Health by December 1, 2026.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to update the administration of child care subsidy.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from a heading or the present law and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.