

## HR 251

Federal Employees Child Care Act

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Government Operations and Politics

**Introduced:** Jan 30, 2001

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property. (Feb 23, 2001)

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### Sponsor

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| Rep. Morella, Constance A. [R-MD-8] | R · MD        |      | Jan 30, 2001 |
| Rep. Waxman, Henry A. [D-CA-29]     | D · CA        |      | Feb 8, 2001  |

### Committee Activity

| Committee                                 | Chamber | Activity    | Date         |
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| Committee on House Administration         | House   | Referred To | Jan 30, 2001 |
| Judiciary Committee                       | House   | Referred to | Feb 23, 2001 |
| Oversight and Government Reform Committee | House   | Referred to | Feb 13, 2001 |

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

## Summary (as of Jan 30, 2001)

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Federal Employees Child Care Act - Directs the Administrator of General Services to: (1) establish health, safety, and facility standards and compliance requirements for child care in executive branch facilities; (2) issue regulations requiring any entity sponsoring a child care facility to comply with standards of a child care accreditation entity; and (3) establish an interagency council to facilitate cooperation and sharing of best practices.

Directs the Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives, the Librarian of Congress, and the head of a designated entity in the Senate to: (1) ensure that the corresponding child care facility obtains accreditation; or (2) issue regulations governing the operation of any unaccredited facility to ensure the safety and quality of care of children placed in it.

Requires the Director of the Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts to issue regulations for child care facilities in judicial facilities and sponsoring entities.

Permits an executive agency to use agency funds to provide child care services for its civilian employees in a federally owned or leased facility, or through a contractor.

Amends Federal law to revise conditions for the allotment of space for child care services for Federal employees in Federal buildings. Makes available child care and related services to children of Federal employees or on-site Federal contractors, or dependent children who live with such employees or contractors. (Currently space may be allotted for the provision of child care services to children of whom at least 50 percent have one parent or guardian who is a Federal employee.)

Requires the Administrator to confirm that at least 50 percent of aggregate enrollment in Federal child care centers Government-wide are children of Federal employees or on-site Federal contractors, or dependent children who live with such employees or contractors.

Authorizes a Federal agency without a child care program, or the Administrator upon identifying a need for child care at a Federal agency, to enter into an agreement with a non-Federal, licensed, and accredited child care facility, or a planned facility that will become licensed and accredited.

Permits a Federal agency to conduct a pilot project to test innovative approaches to providing more cost-effective alternative forms of child care assistance for Federal employees.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Feb 23, 2001:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property.
- **Feb 13, 2001:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Civil Service and Agency Organization.
- **Jan 31, 2001:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E72)
- **Jan 30, 2001:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 30, 2001:** Referred to the Committee on Government Reform, and in addition to the Committees on House Administration, 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.

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