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Child Care for Every Community Act

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Families

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Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Warren, Elizabeth [D-MA]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** MA • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (10 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		Feb 9, 2023
Sen. Booker, Cory A. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Feb 9, 2023
Sen. Markey, Edward J. [D-MA]	D · MA		Feb 9, 2023
Sen. Padilla, Alex [D-CA]	D · CA		Feb 9, 2023
Sen. Sanders, Bernard [I-VT]	I · VT		Feb 9, 2023
Sen. Smith, Tina [D-MN]	D · MN		Feb 9, 2023
Sen. Whitehouse, Sheldon [D-RI]	D · RI		Feb 9, 2023
Sen. Wyden, Ron [D-OR]	D · OR		Feb 9, 2023
Sen. Welch, Peter [D-VT]	D · VT		Apr 26, 2023
Sen. Merkley, Jeff [D-OR]	D · OR		May 9, 2023

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Feb 9, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Families

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 HR 953	Identical bill	<b>Feb 9, 2023:</b> Referred to the House Committee on Education and the Workforce.

## **Child Care for Every Community Act**

This bill provides funds to the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) for an affordable child care and early learning program. Children who are not yet required to attend school may participate in the program regardless of family income, disability status, citizenship status, or employment of a family member.

Under the program, HHS must support sponsors (e.g., states, local governments, tribal organizations, and nonprofit community organizations) that provide child care and early learning services for families.

Families must pay a subsidized fee, based on their income, for the services. The fees are waived for children from families with incomes below 200% of the poverty line. The fees are capped at 7% of a family's income regardless of the family's income level.

## **Actions Timeline**

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