



Legislation Text

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**Fiscal Note**

No additional City appropriation required. Any increase in demand for Childcare Tuition Aid beyond what is included in the 2022 adopted operating budget may require a budget amendment, subject to Common Council approval.

**Title**

SUBSTITUTE - Amending Section 3.12(10)(g)1. of the Madison General Ordinances to change the application requirements for childcare tuition aid.

**Body**

DRAFTER'S ANALYSIS: This ordinance amendment modifies the income criteria for tuition aid. The income criteria is being modified as a part of the Madison Forward Fund initiative. The City believes that applicants to Tuition Aid program may receive payments through the Madison Forward Fund, and, therefore, become ineligible for aid. Such an outcome would have a negative impact on the Madison Forward Fund initiative, and those participating in it.

This substitute narrows the impact of the amendment on the Child Care Program.

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The Common Council of the City of Madison do hereby ordain as follows:

1. Paragraph 1. entitled "Standard Tuition Aid" of Subdivision (g) entitled "Tuition Aid" of Subsection (10) entitled "Child Care Program" of Section 3.12, entitled "Department of Planning and Community and Economic Development" is amended as follows:

"1. Standard Tuition Aid.

- a. The applicant must be the parent of the child for whom the tuition aid is sought;
- b. The child for whom tuition aid is sought must be of child care age, between 0 and the completion of elementary fifth (5th) grade or its equivalent;
- c. The parent(s), legal guardian(s), or custodian(s) and all other resident household adults able to care for the child, and with whom the child resides, must be unable to provide care and supervision because of employment, training or a combination thereof.
  - i. For the purpose of this provision, "employment" includes only paid employment totaling an average of at least twenty (20) hours per week.
  - ii. For the purpose of this provision, "training" includes attendance in a course of study leading to a high school diploma or its equivalent, an accredited trade school or apprenticeship program, a training program supported by the City of Madison, United Way or other entity deemed appropriate by the Community Development Program Manager, and credits in post-secondary education sufficient to acquire an associate degree.
- d. The applicant must be currently ineligible to receive other forms of child care assistance such as Wisconsin Shares child care subsidy.

- e. The applicant must meet the income criteria established by the Common Council, unless the applicant is actively participating in, and receiving payments from, the Madison Forward Fund as created by RES-21-00157 and RES-21-00724 in the year of application.

(Drafter's Note: The Madison Forward Fund is the official name of the guaranteed income pilot program referenced in the Resolutions above.)