LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

[Administrative Code - Infant and Toddler Early Learning Scholarship Fund]

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to establish the Infant and Toddler Early Learning Scholarship Fund.

Existing Law

The City currently does not have a fund to provide financial support for parents and guardians to defray the costs of early childcare and education.

Amendments to Current Law

The proposal is an ordinance that would amend the Administrative Code to establish the Infant and Toddler Early Learning Scholarship Fund ("the Fund"). The Office of Early Childhood Education (OECE) would use money in the Fund to provide grants to licensed family child-care homes and early care and education centers. The grants would provide financial assistance to provide quality infant and toddler care for moderate-, low-, and very low-income families residing in San Francisco who have children under three years of age and who work or attend school at least part-time.

The ordinance would require OECE to adopt rules prior to issuing any grants. Among other particulars, the rules would establish a selection process for awarding grants, eligibility criteria, procedures for determining the size and frequency of grant awards, disbursement processes, and reporting obligations. The rules would prioritize funding that supports parents and guardians who attend publicly-funded colleges or universities in the City.

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