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## **Notice to Child Care Programs on Tuition Rates**

In late June 2023, the Vermont State Legislature created a new statute for regulated child care programs, 33 V.S.A. § 3517, when it passed <u>Act 76</u> (H.217).

33 V.S.A. § 3517: CHILD CARE TUITION RATES A child care provider shall ensure that its tuition rates are available to the public. A regulated child care provider shall not impose an increase on annual child care tuition that exceeds 1.5 times the most recent annual increase in the NAICS code 611, Educational Services. This amount shall be posted on the Department's website annually.

For the year beginning July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2024, regulated child care programs may not increase their annual tuition more than 7.2%.

This amount is 1.5 times the percent change of the Bureau of Labor Statistics' Employment Cost Index for NAICS code 611, Educational Services, for March 2023.

The Child Development Division will include this new requirement in the revision of the Child Care Licensing Regulations already underway. Compliance standards and monitoring will be established through that revision and the rulemaking process.



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