

AGENDA ITEM 5  
April 10, 2018

**Public Hearing**

**MEMORANDUM**

April 6, 2018

TO: County Council

FROM: Amanda Mihill, Legislative Attorney *AMihill*

SUBJECT: Bill 9-18, Child Care – Ready to Learn Initiative – Established

PURPOSE: Public Hearing; no Council votes required

Bill 9-18, Child Care – Ready to Learn Initiative - Established, sponsored by Lead Sponsor Council President Riemer, was introduced on March 13, 2018. A Committee worksession will be scheduled at a later date.

Bill 9-18 would require the Department of Health and Human Services to establish a Ready to Learn Initiative, require the Director of the Department of Health and Human Services to coordinate with the Office of Procurement to establish an open solicitation for early care and education slots for providers that meet certain requirements, and require the Office of Legislative Oversight to submit an annual report.

This packet contains:

Bill 9-18

Legislative Request Report

Circle #

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Bill No. 9-18  
 Concerning: Child Care – Ready to Learn Initiative - Established  
 Revised: 3/12/2018 Draft No. 4  
 Introduced: March 13, 2018  
 Expires: September 13, 2019  
 Enacted: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Executive: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Effective: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Sunset Date: None  
 Ch. \_\_\_\_\_, Laws of Mont. Co. \_\_\_\_\_

## COUNTY COUNCIL FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

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Lead Sponsor: Council President Riemer

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**AN ACT** to:

- (a) require the Department of Health and Human Services to establish a Ready to Learn Initiative;
- (b) require the Director of the Department of Health and Human Services to coordinate with the Office of Procurement to establish an open solicitation for early care and education slots for providers that meet certain requirements;
- (c) require the Office of Legislative Oversight to submit an annual report; and
- (d) generally amend County law related to child care.

By adding

Montgomery County Code  
 Chapter 10A, Child Care.  
 Article 6  
 Sections 10A 12, 10A-13, 10A-14, 10A-15, and 10A-16

<b>Boldface</b>	<i>Heading or defined term.</i>
<u>Underlining</u>	<i>Added to existing law by original bill.</i>
[Single boldface brackets]	<i>Deleted from existing law by original bill.</i>
<u>Double underlining</u>	<i>Added by amendment.</i>
[[Double boldface brackets]]	<i>Deleted from existing law or the bill by amendment.</i>
* * *	<i>Existing law unaffected by bill.</i>

*The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland approves the following Act:*



27 By January 31 of each year, the Office of Legislative Oversight must provide to  
28 the Council a report comparing usage data and outcomes of early care and education  
29 programs in the County. In collecting usage data, the Office must consult with  
30 Montgomery County Public Schools, the Department of Health and Human Services,  
31 and other stakeholders.

32 **10A-16. Regulations.**

33 The County Executive may adopt regulations under Method (2) to implement  
34 this Article.

35 *Approved:*

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Hans D. Riemer, President, County Council Date

37 *Approved:*

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Isiah Leggett, County Executive Date

39 *This is a correct copy of Council action.*

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Megan Davey Limarzi, Esq., Clerk of the Council Date

## LEGISLATIVE REQUEST REPORT

Bill 9-18

*Child Care – Ready to Learn Initiative - Established*

<b>DESCRIPTION:</b>	Bill 9-18 would require the Department of Health and Human Services to establish a Ready to Learn Initiative, require the Director of the Department of Health and Human Services to coordinate with the Office of Procurement to establish an open solicitation for early care and education slots for providers that meet certain requirements, and require the Office of Legislative Oversight to submit an annual report.
<b>PROBLEM:</b>	The demand for quality child care exceeds supply in the County.
<b>GOALS AND OBJECTIVES:</b>	To make affordable, quality, enriching child care available to all families.
<b>COORDINATION:</b>	Department of Health and Human Services
<b>FISCAL IMPACT:</b>	To be requested.
<b>ECONOMIC IMPACT:</b>	To be requested.
<b>EVALUATION:</b>	To be requested.
<b>EXPERIENCE ELSEWHERE:</b>	N/A
<b>SOURCE OF INFORMATION:</b>	Amanda Mihill, Legislative Attorney, 240-777-7815
<b>APPLICATION WITHIN MUNICIPALITIES:</b>	N/A
<b>PENALTIES:</b>	N/A

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