

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1298**

Introduced by

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Senator Vedaa

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 50-11.1 of the North Dakota  
2 Century Code, relating to proof of liability insurance for early childhood programs; to provide for  
3 application; and to provide an effective date.

4 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

5 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 50-11.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is created  
6 and enacted as follows:

7 **Liability insurance.**

- 8 1. As a condition of licensure under this chapter, at the time of licensure application or  
9 renewal, an owner or operator of an early childhood program shall provide ~~proof~~ a copy  
10 of a certificate of liability insurance ~~is naming the department as the certificate holder,~~  
11 carried by the early childhood program to insure against bodily injury ~~and property~~  
12 damage.
- 13 2. An owner or operator of an early childhood program shall notify the department not  
14 later than ten days after cancellation or termination of the ~~The~~ liability insurance policy  
15 must provide a minimum of three hundred thousand dollars per occurrence.

16 **SECTION 2. APPLICATION.** The owner or operator of an early childhood program with an  
17 existing license under chapter 50-11.1 as of January 1, 2024, shall provide the department of  
18 health and human services proof of liability insurance as required under section 1 of this Act  
19 within ten days of the effective date of this Act.

20 **SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.** This Act is effective January 1, 2024.