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September 23, 2022

Mr. Joe Stephenshaw, Director  
Department of Finance  
1021 O Street, Suite 3110  
Sacramento, California 95814

Dear Mr. Stephenshaw:

In a letter dated September 7, 2022, you notified the Joint Legislative Budget Committee, pursuant to SB 115 (Chapter 2, Statutes of 2022), of a request from the Department of Social Services (DSS) to provide temporary reimbursement rate supplements to licensed child care centers that accept subsidy vouchers, using a methodology that was developed in consultation with the Legislature.

I have reviewed the notification and concur with the methodology proposed for the distribution of the one-time lump-sum supplemental payments. In addition, I approve your request to waive the remainder of the 30-day review period, in order to allow DSS to disburse the funds to licensed child care centers in calendar year 2022.

Sincerely,



Nancy Skinner  
Chair

cc: Members of the Joint Legislative Budget Committee