

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2009**

**SESSION LAW 2010-178
SENATE BILL 1119**

AN ACT TO REQUIRE ALL EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION PROVIDERS WORKING
IN LICENSED CHILD CARE CENTERS OR LICENSED FAMILY CHILD CARE
HOMES TO OBTAIN AND MAINTAIN EARLY EDUCATOR CERTIFICATION.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 110-91 is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:

"(8a) Education Certification. – An individual shall remain current in all certification required by this subdivision as long as the individual is working in licensed child care.

a. Teaching staff. – Teaching staff working in licensed child care centers as of October 1, 2010, shall have their education certified by the North Carolina Institute for Child Development Professionals by July 1, 2012. Teaching staff hired to work in licensed child care centers after October 1, 2010, shall have their education certified by the North Carolina Institute for Child Development Professionals within 60 days of their hiring.

b. Licensed family child care home providers. – Licensed family child care home providers in operation as of October 1, 2010, shall have their education certified by the North Carolina Institute for Child Development Professionals by July 1, 2012. Licensed family child care home providers that begin operation after October 1, 2010, shall have their education certified by the North Carolina Institute for Child Development Professionals within 60 days of licensing.

c. Child care administrators. – Child care administrators shall have their education certified with an Administrator Endorsement by July 1, 2012. Child care administrators hired after July 1, 2012, shall have their education certified with an Administrator Endorsement within 60 days of their hiring."

SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 8th day of July, 2010.

s/ Walter H. Dalton
President of the Senate

s/ Joe Hackney
Speaker of the House of Representatives

s/ Beverly E. Perdue
Governor

Approved 4:19 p.m. this 2nd day of August, 2010

