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NEW HAMPSHIRE

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CHILDREN IN NEW HAMPSHIRE SET TO **LOSE CHILD CARE** DUE TO CHILD CARE CLIFF

Beginning September 30, 2023, states will face a steep dropoff in federal child care investment. Without Congressional action, this cliff will have dire consequences. More than three million children are projected to lose access to child care nationwide. Seventy thousand child care programs are likely to close. This will have ripple effects for parents forced out of work or to cut their work hours, for businesses who will lose valuable employees or experience the impact of their employees' child care disruptions, and state economies that will lose tax revenue and jobs in the child care sector as a result.

Congress should act quickly to protect New Hampshire's children, families, and communities from the higher costs, reduced earnings, and productivity loss that will come with going over the child care cliff.

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We're under capacity because the wages we are able to offer aren't competitive enough, we need sustained government investment child care wages to keep child care affordable and available to the rest of the state's workforce.”

MARIANNE BARTER, MERRIMACK VALLEY DAY CARE SERVICE, CONCORD NH

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Without intervention, **11,766** children in New Hampshire are expected to lose their child care as a result of the stabilization cliff.

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161 child care programs are projected to close - making it even harder for families to find safe, nurturing child care options.

\$39 MILLION



New Hampshire parents will lose **\$39 million** in earnings as a result of being forced to cut work hours or leave the workforce.

As children and families feel these consequences, so will state economies. The loss of the federal funds will mean:

\$44.2 MILLION

less in employer
productivity

1,235



CHILD CARE JOBS

Finally, the child care sector has been far behind the rest of the economy in recovering jobs post-pandemic. We hear stories around the nation about child care classrooms having to close because there are not enough early educators. An additional **1,235 child care jobs** are expected to be lost in New Hampshire, at a minimum.

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