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Amendment to HB 2-FN-A-LOCAL

1 Amend the bill by inserting the following new section:

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3 1 Department of Health and Human Services; Child Care Services. The commissioner of the
4 department of health and human services shall be responsible for determining, on an ongoing basis
5 through June 30, 2025, whether there is sufficient funding in account 05-95-42-421110-2977, class
6 536, to fund employment-related child care services to avoid a wait list and support greater
7 utilization of employment related childcare. If at any time the commissioner determines that
8 funding is insufficient, he or she shall, to the extent allowed by applicable federal regulations, utilize
9 available federal Temporary Assistant to Needy Families (TANF) reserve funds to cover the amount
10 of the shortfall. The department shall report quarterly to the fiscal committee of the general court
11 on any funds expended on employment-related child care services, including funds budgeted in
12 account 05-95-42-421110-2977 as well as federal TANF funds authorized by this section.

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

Insert:

1. Authorizes the commissioner of the department of health and human services to use TANF funds to avoid a wait list for employment-related child care services.