

**HB 3269 - DIGEST**

(SUBSTITUTED FOR - SEE 2ND SUB)

Requires, subject to the availability of funds appropriated for this specific purpose, the department of early learning to administer the roving early intervention specialist pilot program conducted in Pierce county, beginning July 1, 2008, to provide assistance to licensed child care providers and families with children ages birth to five with special needs. The pilot shall be conducted in Pierce county.

Provides for one roving early intervention specialist to be housed at a local child care resource and referral organization in Pierce county.

Requires, by August 1, 2009, the department of early learning to report on certain findings to the governor and appropriate education and fiscal committees of the legislature and provide recommendations for increasing the number of roving early intervention specialists to serve the statewide child care resource and referral network.