

**SB 5437 - DIGEST**

Requires the department of children, youth, and families to: (1) Establish a pilot project to implement a state-funded birth to three early childhood education and assistance program to eligible children who are under thirty-six months old;

(2) Offer home visiting services that the child or family are eligible for under the particular home visiting service's statutory eligibility requirements; and

(3) Select up to ten pilot project locations during the first year of the project, with an attempt to select a combination of rural, urban, and suburban locations.

Requires the children included in the early childhood education and assistance program to have a family income at or less than two hundred percent of the federal poverty level.