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## Rep. Melotik Votes to Expand Access to Quality Childcare

**Madison...**State Representative Paul Melotik (R-Grafton) voted in favor of the "Choices in Childcare" package, aimed at helping families afford childcare and increasing accessibility across our state.

"Parents all over the state are facing childcare challenges and this package of child care will help," said Rep. Melotik. "Parents deserve to keep more of their hard-earned money, and make choices that best suit their children's needs."

The average monthly cost for full-time childcare is \$915 per child. The Choices in Childcare package includes legislation that would create a childcare reimbursement account, establish a revolving loan fund to help renovate current care centers and help new centers open, create a new classification of in-home childcare centers, boost capacity, and bring provider regulations in line with our neighboring states.

"A lot of us out knocking doors heard from many people about the need for childcare and these bills provide long-term, sustainable solutions for people in our state," Said Rep Melotik.

The legislative package now heads to the state Senate for consideration.

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