

Additionally, because MSDE does not directly pay providers, MSDE requests a technical amendment recognizing the multiple agencies involved in issuing payments to providers under the scholarship program:

4. On page 3, please replace current (G) with the following text, consulting with the Comptroller's office to identify the appropriate number of days in (H):

“(G) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PROCESS A CHILD CARE PROVIDER’S CORRECTLY SUBMITTED INVOICE AND TRANSMIT THE PAYMENT TO THE COMPTROLLER WITHIN 10 DAYS AFTER THE DATE ON WHICH THE DEPARTMENT RECEIVES AN INVOICE FROM A CHILD CARE PROVIDER.

(H) THE COMPTROLLER SHALL PAY THE PROVIDER WITHIN [#] DAYS AFTER THE DATE ON WHICH THE DEPARTMENT TRANSMITS SUCH PAYMENT UNDER (G).”

We respectfully request that you consider this information as you deliberate House Bill 995. Please contact Ary Amerikaner, at 410-767-0090, or ary.amerikaner@maryland.gov, for any additional information.