

Senate File 496

S-3069

1 Amend Senate File 496 as follows:

2 1. By striking everything after the enacting clause and
3 inserting:

4 <Section 1. Section 256.11, subsection 2, Code 2023, is
5 amended to read as follows:

6 2. The kindergarten program shall include experiences
7 designed to develop healthy emotional and social habits and
8 growth in the language arts and communication skills, as
9 well as a capacity for the completion of individual tasks,
10 and protect and increase physical well-being with attention
11 given to experiences relating to the development of life
12 skills and age-appropriate and research-based human growth and
13 development. A kindergarten teacher shall be licensed to teach
14 in kindergarten. An accredited nonpublic school must meet the
15 requirements of **this subsection** only if the nonpublic school
16 offers a kindergarten program.

17 Sec. 2. Section 256E.7, subsection 2, Code 2023, is amended
18 by adding the following new paragraph:

19 NEW PARAGRAPH. *0j.* Be subject to and comply with the
20 requirements of section 280.33 relating to the publication
21 of a list of topics covered when providing human growth and
22 development instruction, and the adoption of a policy allowing
23 the parent or guardian of a student to excuse the student from
24 instruction related to topics in the health or human growth
25 and development instruction, in the same manner as a school
26 district.

27 Sec. 3. NEW SECTION. **279.77 Library catalog.**

28 1. Each school district shall maintain a publicly available
29 catalog of books and other materials that are available to be
30 checked out in libraries operated by the school district.

31 2. *a.* Each school district that maintains in electronic
32 form a catalog of books and other materials that are available
33 to be checked out in libraries operated by the school district
34 as of this effective date of this Act shall do all of the
35 following:

1 (1) Publish the catalog on the school district's internet
2 site on or before January 1, 2026.

3 (2) As of the effective date of this Act and until the
4 school district publishes the catalog on the school district's
5 internet site pursuant to subparagraph (1), grant physical
6 access to the catalog to members of the general public
7 for at least three hours each week during the school year,
8 not including during the summer months when school is not
9 in session or during a vacation period, at times that are
10 convenient to the general public.

11 (3) Publish the dates and times the school district will
12 grant physical access to the catalog to members of the general
13 public on the school district's internet site.

14 *b.* Each school district that maintains in other than
15 electronic form a catalog of books and other materials that are
16 available to be checked out in libraries operated by the school
17 district shall do all of the following:

18 (1) Grant physical access to the catalog to members of the
19 general public for at least three hours each week during the
20 school year, not including during the summer months when school
21 is not in session or during a vacation period, at times that
22 are convenient to the general public.

23 (2) Publish the dates and times the school district will
24 grant physical access to the catalog to members of the general
25 public on the school district's internet site.

26 **Sec. 4. NEW SECTION. 279.78 Parent or guardian request to**
27 **prohibit a student from checking out books or materials from a**
28 **school library.**

29 1. *a.* A parent or guardian who has physical custody of
30 a student enrolled in a school district may submit a signed
31 notice to the school district requesting that the student be
32 prohibited from checking out from a library operated by the
33 school district a book or any other material that is described
34 in the notice and included in the catalog maintained by the
35 school district pursuant to section 279.77.

1 *b.* A parent or guardian who has physical custody of a
2 student enrolled in a school district may submit the notice
3 described in paragraph "a" beginning two weeks prior to the
4 start date of the school district's school calendar and at
5 any time during the school calendar year. A notice submitted
6 pursuant to paragraph "a" shall be valid for the current school
7 year and the succeeding school year and may be renewed by the
8 parent or guardian at any time.

9 2. Each school district shall maintain a list of the notices
10 submitted pursuant to subsection 1 that remain valid. The only
11 school district employees who may access the list are qualified
12 teacher librarians and administrators. The list shall be
13 confidential and shall not be a public record subject to
14 disclosure under chapter 22. For purposes of this subsection,
15 "administrator" means the same as defined in section 272.1.

16 3. A school district shall not allow a student enrolled in
17 the school district to check out a book or any other material
18 from a library operated by the school district if the list
19 described in subsection 2 indicates that a parent or guardian
20 who has physical custody of the student submitted a notice
21 described in subsection 1, paragraph "a", requesting that the
22 student be prohibited from checking out the book or other
23 material.

24 Sec. 5. NEW SECTION. 280.33 **Human growth and development**
25 **instruction.**

26 1. The board of directors of each public school district and
27 the authorities in charge of each accredited nonpublic school
28 shall publish on the school district's or accredited nonpublic
29 school's internet site a list of the topics the school district
30 or accredited nonpublic school covers when providing the human
31 growth and development instruction required under section
32 256.11, subsections 2, 3, and 4.

33 2. *a.* The board of directors of each public school district
34 and the authorities in charge of each accredited nonpublic
35 school shall adopt a policy that allows a parent or guardian

1 who has physical custody of a student enrolled in the school
2 district or accredited nonpublic school to excuse the student
3 from any classes, lectures, assignments, activities, or any
4 other instruction related to any topics in the health or human
5 growth and development instruction in the student's grade, as
6 specified by the parent or guardian, by submitting a request to
7 the school district or accredited nonpublic school.

8 *b.* The policy described in paragraph "a" must include a copy
9 of the form to be used by a parent or guardian to excuse the
10 student from any classes, lectures, assignments, activities, or
11 any other instruction related to any topics in the health or
12 human growth and development instruction.

13 *c.* The board of directors of each public school district and
14 the authorities in charge of each accredited nonpublic school
15 shall annually inform the parents and guardians of students
16 enrolled in the school district of the opportunity to excuse a
17 student from any classes, lectures, assignments, activities, or
18 any other instruction related to any topics in the health or
19 human growth and development instruction.

20 3. The requirements in this section applicable to public
21 school districts are in addition to the requirements provided
22 in section 279.50.>

23 2. Title page, line 1, by striking <relating to> and
24 inserting <concerning>

25 3. Title page, line 4, after <to> by inserting <the>

26 4. Title page, lines 4 and 5, by striking <screenings and
27 the>

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