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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to a requirement that schools and school
2 districts provide media services programs and articulated
3 sequential elementary-secondary guidance programs.

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1 Section 1. Section 256.11, Code 1997, is amended by adding
2 the following new subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 9. Unless a waiver has been obtained
4 under section 256.11A, each school or school district shall
5 have all of the following:

6 a. A media center in each attendance center accessible to
7 students throughout the school day.

8 b. A qualified school media specialist who shall meet the
9 licensing standards prescribed by the board of educational
10 examiners and be responsible for media center supervision.

11 c. An articulated sequential elementary-secondary guidance
12 program for grades kindergarten through twelve. The guidance
13 counselor shall meet the licensing standards prescribed by the
14 board of educational examiners.

15 In determining the requirements of this subsection for
16 nonpublic schools, the department shall evaluate the schools
17 on a school system basis rather than on an individual school
18 basis.

19 Sec. 2. Section 256.11A, subsections 1 and 2, Code 1997,
20 are amended to read as follows:

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22 ~~standard-adopted-by-the-state-board-requiring-each-school-or~~
23 ~~school-district-operating-a-kindergarten-through-grade-twelve~~
24 ~~program-to-provide-an-articulated-sequential-elementary-~~
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27 written request to the department of education that the
28 department waive the requirement, ~~for established in section~~
29 256.11, subsection 9, paragraph "c", that a school or school
30 district operating a kindergarten through grade twelve
31 program, provide an articulated sequential elementary-
32 secondary guidance program. The procedures specified in
33 subsection 3 apply to the request. Not later than August 1,
34 ~~1996~~ 1998, for the school year beginning July 1, ~~1996~~ 1998,
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1 in charge of a nonpublic school may request a one-year
2 extension of the waiver.

3 2. Not later than August 1, ~~1995~~ 1997, for the school year
4 beginning July 1, ~~1995~~ 1997, the board of directors of a
5 school district, or authorities in charge of a nonpublic
6 school, may file a written request with the department of
7 education that the department waive ~~the rule adopted by the~~
8 ~~state board to establish and operate~~ the requirements
9 established under section 256.11, subsection 9, paragraphs "a"
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18 EXPLANATION

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23 media specialist responsible for media center supervision, and
24 an articulated sequential elementary-secondary guidance
25 program for grades kindergarten through 12. The bill also
26 extends the time in which schools may apply for waivers to
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