

Senate Study Bill 222

Bill Text

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1 1 Section 1. Section [256.11](#), Code 1997, is amended by adding
1 2 the following new subsection:

1 3 NEW SUBSECTION. 9. Unless a waiver has been obtained
1 4 under section 256.11A, each school or school district shall
1 5 have all of the following:

1 6 a. A media center in each attendance center accessible to
1 7 students throughout the school day.

1 8 b. A qualified school media specialist who shall meet the
1 9 licensing standards prescribed by the board of educational
1 10 examiners and be responsible for media center supervision.

1 11 c. An articulated sequential elementary-secondary guidance
1 12 program for grades kindergarten through twelve. The guidance
1 13 counselor shall meet the licensing standards prescribed by the
1 14 board of educational examiners.

1 15 In determining the requirements of this subsection for
1 16 nonpublic schools, the department shall evaluate the schools
1 17 on a school system basis rather than on an individual school
1 18 basis.

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

1 21 1. Schools and school districts

~~unable to meet the~~

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~~standard adopted by the state board requiring each school or~~

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~~school district operating a kindergarten through grade twelve~~

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~~program to provide an articulated sequential elementary-~~

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~~secondary guidance program~~

~~may, not later than August 1,~~

~~1995~~

1 26 1997, for the school year beginning July 1,

~~1995~~

~~1997~~, file a

1 27 written request to the department of education that the
1 28 department waive the requirement,

~~for~~

~~established in section~~

1 29 256.11, subsection 9, paragraph "c", that a school or school
1 30 district operating a kindergarten through grade twelve
1 31 program, provide an articulated sequential elementary-
1 32 secondary guidance program. The procedures specified in

1 33 subsection 3 apply to the request. Not later than August 1,
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~~1996~~

- 1998, for the school year beginning July 1,

~~1996~~

- 1998,

1 35 the board of directors of a school district or the authorities
2 1 in charge of a nonpublic school may request a one-year
2 2 extension of the waiver.
2 3 2. Not later than August 1,

~~1995~~

- 1997, for the school year

2 4 beginning July 1,

~~1995~~

- 1997, the board of directors of a

2 5 school district, or authorities in charge of a nonpublic
2 6 school, may file a written request with the department of
2 7 education that the department waive

~~the rule adopted by the~~

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~~state board to establish and operate~~

~~the requirements~~

2 9 established under section 256.11, subsection 9, paragraphs "a"
2 10 and "b", for a media services specialist and a media services
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~~program to support the total curriculum for that district or~~

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~~school~~

- center. The procedures specified in subsection 3 apply

2 13 to the request. Not later than August 1,

~~1996~~

- 1998, for the

2 14 school year beginning July 1,

~~1996~~

- 1998, the board of

2 15 directors of a school district or the authorities in charge of
2 16 a nonpublic school may request an additional one-year
2 17 extension of the waiver.

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EXPLANATION

2 19 This bill reestablishes a statutory requirement that each
2 20 school or school district have, unless a waiver has been
2 21 obtained, a media center in each attendance center accessible
2 22 to students throughout the school day, a qualified school
2 23 media specialist responsible for media center supervision, and
2 24 an articulated sequential elementary-secondary guidance
2 25 program for grades kindergarten through 12. The bill also
2 26 extends the time in which schools may apply for waivers to
2 27 August 1, 1998.

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