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## **HOUSE BILL NO. 1599**

## 97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

## **AN ACT**

To amend chapter 162, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to school district accreditation.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 162, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 162.1265, to read as follows:

162.1265. 1. The department of elementary and secondary education shall develop and implement a grant program for unaccredited and provisionally accredited districts that commit to extended instructional time for the purpose of improving academic achievement, including but not limited to early childhood education. Such grants shall be for a two-year term and shall be renewable for up to three additional two-year terms.

- 2. To be eligible for a grant a school district shall:
- (1) Demonstrate that it has analyzed its current use of instructional time and determined the potential effects of additional instructional time on student academic achievement. The analysis shall also include a study of the potential effects of extended instructional time on assignments of personnel and on the need for professional development; and
- (2) Provide a rationale for the method of adding instructional time, whether it is a longer school year, longer day, fewer days between school years or school terms, or early childhood program, as applied to the chosen target student population which may include an entire school district, particular building, or small group.

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 3. Grant award amounts shall be proportional to additional instructional time over the minimum hours required by law and the average daily attendance rate of the affected students. Unaccredited districts shall receive priority.

- 4. There is hereby established in the state treasury a fund to be known as the "Extended Instructional Time Fund", which shall consist of all moneys that may be appropriated to it by the general assembly, and in addition may include any gifts, contributions, grants, or bequests received from federal, state, private, or other sources. The fund shall be administered by the department of elementary and secondary education. The state treasurer shall be custodian of the fund and may approve disbursements from the fund in accordance with sections 30.170 and 30.180. Upon appropriation, moneys in the fund shall be used solely for the administration of the extended instructional time program. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 33.080 to the contrary, any moneys remaining in the fund at the end of the biennium shall not revert to the credit of the general revenue fund. The state treasurer shall invest moneys in the fund in the same manner as other funds are invested. Any interest and moneys earned on such investments shall be credited to the fund.
- 5. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2014, shall be invalid and void.

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