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AN ACT

To repeal section 162.720, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to gifted students.

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

Section A. Section 162.720, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 162.720, to read as follows:

162.720. 1. [Where a sufficient number of children are determined to be gifted and their development requires programs or services beyond the level of those ordinarily provided in regular public school programs, districts may establish special programs for such gifted children.

2.] **Each school district shall identify which of the district's students are gifted under the Missouri school improvement program. The department of elementary and secondary education shall develop a list of identification criterion with emphasis on early identification.**

2. Each school district shall establish special programs or services for students who are identified as gifted under subsection 1 of this section and whose development requires programs or services beyond the level of programs ordinarily provided in regular public school programs; except that, this subsection shall not apply to school districts that did not have a special program for gifted students prior to the 2005-2006 school year.

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

13 **3.** The state board of education shall determine standards **or services** for such programs.
14 [Approval of such programs shall be made by the state department of elementary and secondary
15 education based upon project applications submitted by July fifteenth of each year.] **Each school**
16 **district shall report annually to the department, by the date established by the department,**
17 **the extent to which it is providing educational opportunities specifically designed to meet**
18 **the educational needs of gifted students.**

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