

House _____ Amendment NO. _____

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1 AMEND House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 1424, Page 15, Section 162.910, Line 11,
2 by inserting after all of said section and line the following:

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4 "162.1100. 1. There is hereby established within each city not within a county a school
5 district to be known as the "Transitional School District of (name of city)", which shall be a body
6 corporate and politic and a subdivision of the state. The transitional school district shall be
7 coterminous with the boundaries of the city in which the district is located. Except as otherwise
8 provided in this section and section 162.621, the transitional school district shall be subject to all
9 laws pertaining to "seven-director districts", as defined in section 160.011. The transitional school
10 district shall have the responsibility for educational programs and policies determined by a final
11 judgment of a federal school desegregation case to be needed in providing for a transition of the
12 educational system of the city from control and jurisdiction of a federal court school desegregation
13 order, decree or agreement and such other programs and policies as designated by the governing
14 body of the school district.

15 2. (1) The governing board of the transitional school district shall consist of three residents
16 of the district: one shall be appointed by the governing body of the district, one shall be appointed
17 by the mayor of the city not within a county and one shall be appointed by the president of the
18 board of aldermen of the city not within a county. The members of the governing board shall serve
19 without compensation for a term of three years, or until their successors have been appointed, or
20 until the transitional district is dissolved or terminated. Any tax approved for the transitional district
21 shall be assigned to the governing body of the school district in a city not within a county after
22 dissolution or termination of the transitional district.

23 (2) In the event that the state board of education shall declare the school district of a city not
24 within a county to be unaccredited, the member of the governing board of the transitional district
25 appointed by the governing body of the district as provided in subdivision (1) of this subsection
26 shall, within ninety days, be replaced by a chief executive officer nominated by the state board of
27 education and appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate. The chief
28 executive officer need not be a resident of the district but shall be a person of recognized
29 administrative ability, shall be paid in whole or in part with funds from the district, and shall have
30 all other powers and duties of any other general superintendent of schools, including appointment of
31 staff. The chief executive officer shall serve for a term of three years or until his or her successor is

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1 appointed or until the transitional district is dissolved or terminated. His or her salary shall be set
2 by the state board of education.

3 3. In the event that the school district loses its accreditation, upon the appointment of a chief
4 executive officer, any powers granted to any existing school board in a city not within a county on
5 or before August 28, 1998, shall be vested with the special administrative board of the transitional
6 school district containing such school district so long as the transitional school district exists, except
7 as otherwise provided in section 162.621.

8 4. The special administrative board's powers and duties shall include:

9 (1) Creating an academic accountability plan, taking corrective action in underperforming
10 schools, and seeking relief from state-mandated programs;

11 (2) Exploration of alternative forms of governance for the district;

12 (3) Authority to contract with nonprofit corporations to provide for the operation of schools;

13 (4) Oversight of facility planning, construction, improvement, repair, maintenance and
14 rehabilitation;

15 (5) Authority to establish school site councils to facilitate site-based school management
16 and to improve the responsiveness of the schools to the needs of the local geographic attendance
17 region of the school;

18 (6) Authority to submit a proposal to district voters pursuant to section 162.666 regarding
19 establishment of neighborhood schools.

20 5. (1) The provisions of a final judgment as to the state of Missouri and its officials in a
21 school desegregation case which subjects a district in which a transitional district is located in this
22 state to a federal court's jurisdiction may authorize or require the governing body of a transitional
23 school district established under this section to establish the transitional district's operating levy for
24 school purposes, as defined pursuant to section 163.011, at a level not to exceed eighty-five cents
25 per one hundred dollars assessed valuation in the district or a sales tax equivalent amount as
26 determined by the department of elementary and secondary education which may be substituted for
27 all or part of such property tax.

28 (2) Any other statute to the contrary notwithstanding, no tax authorized pursuant to this
29 subsection shall:

30 (a) Be subject to any certificate of tax abatement issued after August 28, 1998, pursuant to
31 sections 99.700 to 99.715; and

32 (b) Effective January 1, 2002, be subject to any new or existing tax increment financing
33 adopted by a city not within a county pursuant to sections 99.800 to 99.865 except that any
34 redevelopment plan and redevelopment project concerning a convention headquarters hotel adopted
35 by ordinance by a city not within a county prior to August 28, 2003, shall be subject to such tax
36 increment financing.

37 (3) The transitional school district shall not be subject to the provisions of section 162.081,
38 sections 163.021 and 163.023 with respect to any requirements to maintain a minimum value of
39 operating levy or any consequences provided by law for failure to levy at least such minimum rate.
40 No operating levy or increase in the operating levy or sales tax established pursuant to this section
41 shall be collected for a transitional school district unless prior approval is obtained from a simple

1 majority of the district's voters. The board of the transitional district shall place the matter before
2 the voters prior to March 15, 1999.

3 6. (1) The special administrative board established in this section shall develop, implement,
4 monitor and evaluate a comprehensive school improvement plan, and such plan shall be subject to
5 review and approval of the state board of education. The plan shall ensure that all students meet or
6 exceed grade-level standards established by the state board of education pursuant to section
7 160.514;

8 (2) The special administrative board shall establish student performance standards
9 consistent with the standards established by the state board of education pursuant to section 160.514
10 for preschool through grade twelve in all skill and subject areas, subject to review and approval of
11 the state board of education for the purpose of determining whether the standards are consistent with
12 standards established by the state board of education pursuant to section 160.514;

13 (3) All students in the district who do not achieve grade-level standards shall be required to
14 attend summer school; except that the provisions of this subsection shall not apply to students
15 receiving special education services pursuant to sections 162.670 to 162.999;

16 (4) No student shall be promoted to a higher grade level unless that student has a reading
17 ability at or above one grade level below the student's grade level; except that the provisions of this
18 subsection shall not apply to students receiving special education services pursuant to sections
19 162.670 to 162.999;

20 (5) The special administrative board established in this section shall develop, implement and
21 annually update a professional development plan for teachers and other support staff, subject to
22 review and approval of the state board of education.

23 7. The school improvement plan established pursuant to this section shall ensure open
24 enrollment and program access to all students in the district, and, consistent with the Missouri and
25 United States Constitutions, shall give first priority to residents of the city for admission to magnet
26 schools. The school board shall take all practicable and constitutionally permissible steps to ensure
27 that all magnet schools operate at full capacity. Students who change residence within the district
28 shall be allowed to continue to attend the school in which they were initially enrolled for the
29 remainder of their education at grade levels served by that school, and transportation shall be
30 provided by the district to allow such students to continue to attend such school of initial
31 enrollment.

32 8. To the extent practicable, the special administrative board shall ensure that per pupil
33 expenditures and pupil-teacher ratios shall be the same for all schools serving students at a given
34 grade level.

35 9. The special administrative board shall ensure that early childhood education is available
36 throughout the district.

37 10. The special administrative board shall ensure that vocational education instruction is
38 provided within the district.

39 11. The special administrative board shall establish an accountability officer whose duty
40 shall be to ensure that academically deficient schools within the district are raised to acceptable
41 condition within two years.

1 12. The transitional school district in any city not within a county shall be dissolved on July
2 1, 2008, unless the state board determines, prior to that date, that it is necessary for the transitional
3 district to continue to accomplish the purposes for which it was created. The state board of
4 education may cause the termination of the transitional school district at any time upon a
5 determination that the transitional district has accomplished the purposes for which it was
6 established and is no longer needed. If the transitional school district is classified as fully
7 accredited, the state board of education shall terminate it and return governance to the elected board
8 of the school district containing the territory of the dissolved transitional school district within thirty
9 days. If the transitional school district is fully accredited before August 28, 2018, the state board of
10 education shall terminate it at its first meeting to occur on or after August 28, 2018. The state board
11 of education may cause the reestablishment of the transitional school district at any time upon a
12 determination that it is necessary for the transitional district to be reestablished to accomplish the
13 purposes established in this section. The state board of education shall provide notice to the
14 governor and general assembly of the termination or reestablishment of the transitional school
15 district and the termination or reestablishment shall become effective thirty days following such
16 determination. Upon dissolution of a transitional school district pursuant to this section, nothing in
17 this section shall be construed to reduce or eliminate any power or duty of any school district or
18 districts containing the territory of the dissolved transitional school district unless such transitional
19 school district is reestablished by the state board of education pursuant to this section."; and

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21 Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references
22 accordingly.