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SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
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HOUSE BILL NO. 1511
93RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Reported from the Committee on Education, April 12, 2006, with recommendation that the Senate Committee Substitute do pass and be placed on the Consent Calendar.

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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

AN ACT

To repeal section 160.930, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof two new sections relating to early childhood education.

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

Section A. Section 160.930, RSMo, is repealed and two new sections
2 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 160.930 and 161.213, to read as
3 follows:

160.930. Pursuant to section 23.253, RSMo, of the Missouri sunset act:
2 (1) The provisions of the program authorized under sections 160.900 to
3 160.925[,section 162.700, RSMo,] and section 376.1218, RSMo, shall automatically
4 sunset two years after August 28, 2005, unless reauthorized by an act of the
5 general assembly; and

6 (2) If such program is reauthorized, the program authorized under
7 sections 160.900 to 160.925[,section 162.700, RSMo,] and section 376.1218, RSMo,
8 shall automatically sunset twelve years after the effective date of the
9 reauthorization of sections 160.900 to 160.925[,section 162.700, RSMo,] and
10 section 376.1218, RSMo; and

11 (3) Sections 160.900 to 160.925[, section 162.700, RSMo,] and section
12 376.1218, RSMo, shall terminate on September first of the calendar year
13 immediately following the calendar year in which the program authorized under
14 sections 160.900 to 160.925[, section 162.700, RSMo,] and section 376.1218,
15 RSMo, is sunset.

161.213. 1. The department of elementary and secondary

EXPLANATION--Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

2 education shall develop standards for high-quality early childhood
3 education no later than June 30, 2007. The standards shall be
4 applicable to all public school prekindergarten programs that receive
5 Title I or Missouri preschool project funds.

6 2. Such standards shall include, but not be limited to, the
7 following principles:

8 (1) Access for all children whose parents or guardians choose to
9 participate;

10 (2) Focus on cognitive, language, physical, and social/emotional
11 development;

12 (3) Assessment of needs of children and their families;

13 (4) Highly qualified and properly certified teachers; and

14 (5) Delivery of comprehensive services supported by strong and
15 accessible technical assistance and professional development.

16 3. In developing such standards, the department shall involve
17 representatives of the business community, parents as teachers, head
18 start, early childhood start, early childhood special education, Missouri
19 preschool project, first steps, Title I preschools, school district
20 personnel, private providers, and faith-based providers.

21 4. Unless otherwise prohibited by federal law, public school
22 districts shall not be prohibited from charging tuition and related
23 charges for early childhood education programs.

24 5. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section
25 536.010, RSMo, that is created under the authority delegated in this
26 section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to
27 all of the provisions of chapter 536, RSMo, and, if applicable, section
28 536.028, RSMo. This section and chapter 536, RSMo, are nonseverable
29 and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to
30 chapter 536, RSMo, to review, to delay the effective date, or to
31 disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional,
32 then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or
33 adopted after August 28, 2006, shall be invalid and void.

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