SECOND REGULAR SESSION HOUSE BILL NO. 1745

94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVES LAMPE (Sponsor), TALBOY, ROORDA, OXFORD, SCHIEFFER, HUGHES, ZWEIFEL, CORCORAN AND CURLS (Co-sponsors).

Read 1st time January 22, 2008 and copies ordered printed.

D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

3867L.01I

AN ACT

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

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Section A. Section 162.720, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu 2 thereof, to be known as section 162.720, to read as follows: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.

4 2.] Each school district shall identify which of the district's students are 5 academically gifted as established under the rules prescribed by the department of 6 elementary and secondary education. The department shall develop a list of identification 7 criteria with emphasis on early identification.

8 2. Each school district shall establish special programs or services for students who 9 are identified as academically gifted under subsection 1 of this section and whose 10 development requires programs or services beyond the level of programs ordinarily 11 provided in regular public school programs.

3. The state board of education shall determine standards or services for such programs.
 Approval of such programs shall be made by the state department of elementary and secondary
 education based upon project applications submitted [by July fifteenth of each year] in a format

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.

H.B. 1745

- 15 and at a time established by the department. Each school district shall report annually to
- 16 the department, by a date established by the department.