

## HB 1957 -- PREKINDERGARTEN PROGRAMS

SPONSOR: Schupp

This bill specifies that students between the ages of three and five who are eligible for free and reduced lunch and attend a prekindergarten program that is operated by and in a school district providing full-day kindergarten and that meets standards established by the State Board of Education within the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education must be included in the average daily attendance used to determine the district's state funding under the school foundation formula. The bill becomes effective in the school year after the school year in which the foundation formula is fully funded and remains in effect in any succeeding year, even if formula funding changes. The bill does not require school attendance beyond what is required under the compulsory school attendance law and does not change the laws relating to kindergarten attendance.