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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 167, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to educational services for neglected or delinquent children.

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

Section A. Chapter 167, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 167.128, to read as follows:

167.128. 1. If a school district contains a facility that serves neglected or delinquent children residing in a court-ordered group home, an institution for neglected children, or an institution for delinquent children, the department of elementary and secondary education shall be prohibited from creating any report or publication related to the Missouri school improvement program, or any successor program, in which data from the district's regularly enrolled pupils is aggregated with data from the children residing in such facilities.

2. Nothing in this section shall exempt the district in which a facility described in this section is located from providing educational services according to federal law. However, for accountability purposes under state and federal law, the department of elementary and secondary education shall not count the students residing in any such facility as part of the school district in which the facility is located, but shall instead aggregate all neglected and delinquent children residing in facilities described in this section and issue any reports as if the students and facilities were their own separate local educational agency.

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