

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE BILL NO. 1024

100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE DOGAN.

2068H.011

DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 162, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to elementary and secondary education.

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

Section A. Chapter 162, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 162.692, to read as follows:

162.692. 1. The department of elementary and secondary education shall convene a work group to develop and recommend rigorous academic performance standards relating to workforce development for students in grades one through twelve.

2. The work group shall be composed of the following nine members, who shall be appointed by the governor:

(1) An individual to serve as the chair of the work group;

(2) A job coach;

(3) A representative from the department of elementary and secondary education;

(4) A representative from the department of higher education;

(5) A representative from the department of economic development;

(6) A transition coordinator;

(7) A development coordinator;

(8) An educator who is a resident of a rural area of the state; and

(9) An educator who is a resident of any city not within a county, any county with a charter form of government and with more than nine hundred fifty thousand inhabitants, or any home rule city with more than four hundred thousand inhabitants and located in more than one county.

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.

18 **3. The work group may make all rules it deems necessary to enable it to conduct**
19 **its meetings, elect its officers, and set the terms and duties of its officers. Meetings shall be**
20 **open to the public, and members of the public shall receive an opportunity to testify at each**
21 **meeting. The work group may elect from among its members any officers it deems**
22 **necessary; except that, the chair of the work group shall be selected by the governor at the**
23 **time of appointment. Members of the work group shall serve without compensation but**
24 **may be reimbursed for actual expenses necessary to the performance of their official duties**
25 **for the work group.**

26 **4. The work group shall develop alternate academic achievement standards for**
27 **high school students with the most significant cognitive disabilities that it shall recommend**
28 **for adoption by the state board of education. The standards shall focus on both academic**
29 **skills and pragmatic capabilities for the transition from secondary education, such as**
30 **executive function skills.**

31 **5. The work group shall develop an employability skills curriculum to provide**
32 **students with career and college planning resources, including a career coaching program,**
33 **real-world learning, and transitional and soft skills.**

34 **6. The work group shall present the alternate academic achievement standards,**
35 **methods for measuring and tracking progress in meeting those standards, and the**
36 **employability skills curriculum to the state board of education and shall furnish a copy of**
37 **such recommendations to the general assembly. The state board of education may adopt**
38 **or request modification of the standards and curriculum within one year of receipt from**
39 **the work group.**

40 **7. The work group may present recommendations to the state board of education**
41 **at any time regarding the education of students who receive special educational services.**

42 **8. The work group shall dissolve one year after presenting the standards and**
43 **employability skills curriculum to the state board of education and making any necessary**
44 **modifications requested by the state board of education.**

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