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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

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AN ACT

To amend chapter 163, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to early childhood education.

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

Section A. Chapter 163, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section,
2 to be known as section 163.018, to read as follows:

**163.018. 1. Notwithstanding the definition of "average daily
2 attendance" in subdivision (2) of section 163.011 to the contrary, pupils
3 between the ages of three and five who are eligible for free and reduced
4 lunch and attend an early childhood education program that is operated by
5 and in a district or by a charter school that has declared itself as a local
6 educational agency providing full-day kindergarten and that meets
7 standards established by the state board of education, shall be included in
8 the district's or charter school's calculation of average daily attendance.**

9 **2. The provisions of this section shall become effective in any school
10 year subsequent to a school year in which the amount appropriated for
11 subsections 1 and 2 of section 163.031 is equal to or exceeds the amount
12 necessary to fund the entire entitlement calculation determined by
13 subsections 1 and 2 of section 163.031, and shall remain effective in all
14 school years thereafter, irrespective of the amount appropriated for
15 subsections 1 and 2 of section 163.031 in any succeeding year.**

16 **3. This section shall not require school attendance beyond that
17 mandated under section 167.031 and shall not change or amend the
18 provisions of sections 160.051, 160.053, 160.054, and 160.055 relating to
19 kindergarten attendance.**

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