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90TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

AN ACT

To repeal section 166.260, RSMo Supp. 1998, relating to elementary grade foreign language instruction, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to the same subject.

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

Section A. Section 166.260, RSMo Supp. 1998, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 166.260, to read as follows:

166.260. There is hereby created the "Children At-Risk in Education Program" which shall be administered by the commissioner of education. The program shall be funded by moneys provided to school districts pursuant to line 14 of subsection 6 of section 163.031, RSMo, and used solely as determined by local boards of education for: reductions of class size in schools containing high concentrations of children who are least advantaged or who have specially identified educational needs according to rule and regulation of the state board of education; or the following:

(1) The program of half-day instruction for developmentally delayed and at-risk children established pursuant to section 167.260, RSMo;

(2) The program to provide teacher assistants in grades kindergarten through three established pursuant to section 167.263, RSMo;

(3) The program to provide guidance counselors in grades kindergarten through nine established pursuant to section 167.265, RSMo;

(4) The programs for pupils at risk of becoming high school dropouts established pursuant to section 167.270, RSMo, including specialized courses of instruction, alternative education programs for pregnant teens and teen mothers and supplemental services for teen mothers;

EXPLANATION--Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

(5) The program of support services to pupils identified as having a high risk of dropping out of school established pursuant to section 167.280, RSMo;

(6) The program of professional development committees for in-service training on teaching children identified as at risk of failing in school pursuant to section 168.400, RSMo;

(7) A program to contract for mental health services to meet the needs of children who are identified as being at risk of failing school as a result of emotional or environmental factors. Eligible contractors shall be approved by the department of mental health;

(8) The program of special education and other special services for at-risk and handicapped children in grades kindergarten through third grade emphasizing prevention and early intervention, rather than remediation, known as the "Success for All Program";

(9) Paying for building site operating costs in the proportion that the free and reduced-price meal eligible student count is to the total enrollment in that building; [and]

(10) **Paying for the costs of direct instruction in foreign language to pupils in grades kindergarten through three; and**

(11) Other programs as approved by the commissioner of education that are exclusively targeted to provide educational services for students who are least advantaged or who have specially identified educational needs.

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