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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

AN ACT

To amend chapter 160, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to student participation in statewide assessments.

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

Section A. Chapter 160, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 160.520, to read as follows:

160.520. 1. The school board of each school district shall establish a written policy on student participation in statewide assessments. The policy shall be provided to each student and the parent, guardian or other person responsible for every student under eighteen years of age at the beginning of each school year and a copy of the policy shall be maintained in the district office and shall be available for viewing by the public during business hours of the district office. The policy may establish a system of rewards and punishments designed to encourage students to give their best efforts on each portion of any statewide assessment established pursuant to section 160.518, RSMo.

2. In no case shall the state board of education or any other state agency establish any single test or group of tests as a condition or requirement for high school graduation or as a requirement for a state approved diploma.

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