

MISSOURI STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA ITEM:**March 2016****GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS UPDATE****STATUTORY AUTHORITY:**

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Item**DEPARTMENT GOAL NOS. 1 AND 4:**

All Missouri students will graduate college and career ready.

The Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education will improve departmental efficiency and operational effectiveness.

SUMMARY:

The following material contains filed bills relating to education for the 2016 legislative session.

PRESENTER:

Constance Rush, Director of Legislative Outreach, will participate in the presentation and discussion of this agenda item.

SENATE BILLS			
BILL	SPONSOR	DESCRIPTION	BILL STATUS
SB 571	Pearce	<p>Identifies four designations of accreditation for school districts. Requires the State Board to adopt a system of classification that accredits individual attendance centers within a district separately from the district as a whole.</p> <p>Requires State Board to classify charter schools and the virtual public school.</p> <p>Permits a student who is enrolled in and attends for at least one semester an unaccredited school in an unaccredited district who is unable to transfer to an accredited school in the district of residence to transfer to an accredited school in an accredited district in the same or an adjoining county or an approved charter school.</p> <p>Prohibits unaccredited and provisionally accredited school districts and schools from receiving transfer students (unless a student chooses to attend a provisionally accredited school within the student's resident unaccredited school district).</p> <p>Permits a school district or approved charter school that receives transfer students to negotiate and accept a reduced tuition rate.</p> <p>Creates three separate education authorities, throughout the state, to coordinate student transfers.</p>	Referred: Senate Education Committee 1/7/16
SB 586 and SB 651	Wasson, Keaveny	<p>Modifies the definition of "current operating expenditures" by removing the 2010 expiration date on the 5% per calculation cap on the growth of current operating expenditures. Modifies the definition of "state adequacy target". By stating that the state adequacy target shall never result in a decrease from the state adequacy target as calculated for fiscal years 2017 and 2018 and any state adequacy target figure calculated subsequent to fiscal year 2018. Specifies that charter schools shall receive early childhood education funding at the same time as the district in which the charter school is located.</p>	Second Read: House 3/7/16
SB 592	Parson	<p>Removes the authority granting school districts the option to set school-start dates more than ten calendar days prior to the first Monday in September.</p>	Referred: Senate Education Committee 1/7/16

SENATE BILLS			
BILL	SPONSOR	DESCRIPTION	BILL STATUS
SB 609	Emery	Establishes the Missouri Empowerment Scholarship Accounts Program which provides a tax credit for 75% of the amount of the contribution for taxpayers who make a qualifying contribution to an educational assistance organization for the scholarship accounts. The scholarships are available for eligible students, those with disabilities and those without, to pay tuition at qualified schools which are private schools, or preschools for children with disabilities or pay for educational therapies or services from licensed or accredited practitioners or providers, tutoring services, private online learning programs, etc.	Public Hearing Held: Senate Education Committee 3/2/16
SB 610	Emery	Repeals the criteria that a school board uses when placing teachers on leave of absence because of a decrease in student enrollment, district reorganization, or financial condition. Repeals a provision governing the St. Louis City School District that requires when particular subjects or courses of instruction are eliminated, the teachers of those subjects or courses not be placed on leave of absence if they are qualified to teach other subjects or courses and a position is available.	Referred: Senate Education Committee 1/7/16
SB 620 and SB 582	Romine, Munzlinger	Modifies composition of the Career and Technical Education Advisory Council and requires said council to establish minimum requirement for a career and technical education certificate	Referred: House Select Committee on Education 3/7/16

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BILL	SPONSOR	DESCRIPTION	BILL STATUS
SB 633	Sifton	<p>Identifies four designations of accreditation for school districts. Requires the State Board to adopt a system of classification that accredits individual attendance centers within a district separately from the district as a whole. Requires an expedited classification process for unaccredited and provisionally accredited school districts.</p> <p>Permits a student who is enrolled in and attends for at least one semester an unaccredited school in an unaccredited district who is unable to transfer to an accredited school in the district of residence to transfer to an accredited school in an accredited district in the same or an adjoining county or an approved charter school.</p> <p>Prohibits school districts and schools with 3-year average APR of 75% or lower, regardless of accreditation classification, from accepting transfer students.</p> <p>Permits receiving districts accepting the reduced tuition that have enrolled a minimum of 25 transfer students and those students' growth measures have met or exceed MSIP targets, to earn additional credit in academic achievement on its annual performance report for each of the first two full school years.</p> <p>Creates three separate education authorities, throughout the state, to coordinate student transfers.</p> <p>Provides expedited opportunities for high-quality (APR at least 80% or greater for 3 of 4 years, 80% or greater graduation rate, etc.) charter schools to replicate and expand.</p> <p>Requires Department to employ a dyslexia therapist.</p>	Referred: Senate Education Committee 1/7/16
SB 638	Riddle	<p>Creates the "Missouri Civics Education Initiative."</p> <p>Requires students attending a public, charter, or private school, prior to receiving a high school diploma to satisfactorily pass a basic civics test similar to the civics portion of the United States Naturalization test, produced by the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services.</p>	Formal Calendar for Perfection: Senate 3/10/16
SB 646	Schupp	Requires the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education to develop training guidelines and school districts to adopt a policy for youth suicide awareness and prevention education.	Consent Calendar: Senate 3/10/16

SENATE BILLS			
BILL	SPONSOR	DESCRIPTION	BILL STATUS
SB 672	Chappelle-Nadal	Requires any course materials and instruction relating to human sexuality and sexually transmitted diseases be based on peer reviewed projects. Requires course materials and instruction present abstinence as the preferred choice in relation to all sexual activity as the only sure way to avoid pregnancy or sexually transmitted infections. Requires course materials and instruction present students with the latest medically factual information about the health benefits and side effects of all contraceptives and barrier methods.	Public Hearing Held: Senate Education Committee 3/2/16
SB 688	Romine	Establishes the Joint Committee on Public Assistance. Requires the committee to: (1) study, monitor, and review the efficacy of public assistance programs within the state, (2) determine the level and adequacy of resources needed for the programs, and (3) develop recommendations on the public assistance programs and on promoting independence from safety-net programs among recipients as may be appropriate. Requires the committee to receive information from the departments of Social Services, Mental Health, Health and Senior Services, Elementary and Secondary Education, and any other department as applicable, regarding projected enrollment growth, budgetary matters, trends in childhood poverty and hunger, and any other information deemed relevant to the committee's purpose.	Second Read: House 3/7/16
SB 697	Sifton	Creates the Missouri Parent/Teacher Involvement Program to provide grant awards to schools to develop and build trusting relationships between families and school staff. Requires each school board to adopt a policy on parental involvement in schools.	Referred: Senate Education Committee 1/11/16
SB 711	Brown	Requires thirty minutes of CPR instruction and training in high school prior to graduation. Requires CPR training be included in health or physical education curriculum.	Second Read: House 2/15/16
SB 713	Chappelle-Nadal	Creates the Missouri Teen Dating Violence Prevention Education Act to educate teens about dating and domestic violence. Permits districts and charter schools to establish age-appropriate curriculum to educate students about domestic violence.	Referred: Senate Education Committee 1/11/16
SB 714	Chappelle-Nadal	Limits members of the State Board of Education to two terms.	Referred: Senate Education Committee 1/11/16
SB 719	Emery	Requires the State Board of Education to develop a simplified annual school report card based on letter grades.	Voted Do Pass: Senate Education Committee 2/24/16

SENATE BILLS			
BILL	SPONSOR	DESCRIPTION	BILL STATUS
SB 720	Emery	Requires all public school restrooms, locker rooms, and shower rooms be designated for and used by male or female students only. Permits alternative restrooms, locker rooms, and shower rooms for students who assert that his or her gender is different from his or her biological sex.	Referred: Senate Education Committee 1/11/16
SB 727	Sifton	Restricts the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education from creating MSIP reports that include data of any children in facilities serving neglected children or delinquent children unless there is an annotation and an explanation.	Referred: Senate Education Committee 1/11/16
SB 728	Sifton	Modifies the definition of bullying to include intimidation or harassment that substantially interferes with the educational performance, opportunities, or benefits of any student without exception, or that substantially disrupts the orderly operation of school. Removes the prohibition on identifying lists of protected classes of students in required anti-bullying policies. Modifies the components school districts must include in their anti-bullying policies.	Referred: Senate Education Committee 1/11/16
SB 747	Nasheed	Requires the St. Louis City and Kansas City school districts to implement reading plans for struggling students prior to promotion to third grade. Allows promotion to third grade only if one of three conditions is met. Requires SLPS, KCPS, and each charter school located in those districts to publish the percentages by grade of any students who have been promoted despite having been determined as reading below grade level.	Referred: Senate Education Committee 1/11/16
SB 748	Nasheed	Modifies the definition of bullying to include intimidation or harassment that substantially interferes with the educational performance, opportunities, or benefits of any student without exception, or that substantially disrupts the orderly operation of school. Defines cyberbullying. Modifies the components school districts must include in their anti-bullying policies.	Referred: Senate Education Committee 1/11/16
SB 753	Dixon	Allows Greene County, or any city within the county, to impose a sales tax, upon voter approval, to fund early childhood education.	Public Hearing Held: Senate Ways and Means Committee 2/11/16

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BILL	SPONSOR	DESCRIPTION	BILL STATUS
SB 764	Chappelle-Nadal	<p>Identifies four designations of accreditation for school districts. Requires the State Board to adopt a system of classification that accredits individual attendance centers within a district separately from the district as a whole. Requires an expedited classification process for unaccredited and provisionally accredited school districts.</p> <p>Permits a student who is enrolled in and attends for at least one semester an unaccredited school in an unaccredited district who is unable to transfer to an accredited school in the district of residence to transfer to an accredited school in an accredited district in the same or an adjoining county or an approved charter school.</p> <p>Prohibits school districts and schools with 3-year average APR of 75% or lower, regardless of accreditation classification, from accepting transfer students.</p> <p>Permits receiving districts accepting the reduced tuition that have enrolled a minimum of 25 transfer students and those students' growth measures have met or exceed MSIP targets, to earn additional credit in academic achievement on its annual performance report for each of the first two full school years.</p> <p>Creates three separate education authorities, throughout the state, to coordinate student transfers.</p> <p>Provides expedited opportunities for high-quality charter schools to replicate and expand.</p> <p>Requires Department to employ a dyslexia therapist.</p> <p>Allows a student to enroll in a virtual school of choice if the student is enrolled in and has attended for at least one semester immediately prior to enrolling, any of the following: an unaccredited school in any district, any school in an unaccredited or provisionally accredited school district, any school in a district within Jackson or St. Louis counties or St. Louis city.</p>	Referred: Senate Education Committee 1/11/16
SB 809	Sifton	Requires each public school to screen each student for dyslexia and related disorders	Referred: Senate Education Committee 1/12/16

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BILL	SPONSOR	DESCRIPTION	BILL STATUS
SB 827	Sifton	Creates the Legislative Task Force on Dyslexia to make recommendations for a statewide system for identification, intervention, and delivery of supports for students with dyslexia.	Formal Calendar for Perfection: Senate 3/10/16
SB 878	Brown	Changes the "Farm-to-School Act" and program to the "Farm-to-Table Act" and program. Connects Missouri farmers to institutions in order to provide such institutions with locally grown agricultural products. This act defines "institutions" as facilities including schools, correctional facilities, hospitals, nursing homes, and military bases. State Departments required to make staff available to the program.	Public Hearing Held: Senate Agriculture, Food Production and Outdoor Resources Committee 2/17/16
SB 904	Pearce	Prohibits school districts from determining whether a child is gifted based on the child's participation in an advanced placement course or international baccalaureate course, but requires the determination be made using the statutory definition of "gifted children." Reduces a district's funding as described in the act when it experiences a decrease in its gifted program enrollment of 20% or more from the previous school year. Excludes school districts with an average daily attendance of three hundred fifty or less.	Voted Do Pass: Senate Education Committee 3/2/16
SB 930	Emery	Requires the State Board of Education to classify individual attendance centers.	Referred: Senate Education Committee 1/21/16
SB 934	Schaaf	Requires schools and school district to provide home school students the opportunity to participate in extracurricular activities.	Referred: Senate Education Committee 1/21/16
SB 940	Schmitt	Requires a student athlete who is suspected of sustaining a concussion or brain injury be removed from competition and administered a side line test designed with a concussion protocol.	Public Hearing Held: Senate Veterans' Affairs and Health Committee 2/18/16
SB 954	Pearce	Repeals the July 1, 2014 expiration date of the law that permitted members of the Public School Retirement System of Missouri with thirty-one years or more of creditable service to use a multiplier of 2.55 when calculating the member's retirement allowance.	Public Hearing Held: Senate Education Committee 2/24/16

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BILL	SPONSOR	DESCRIPTION	BILL STATUS
SB 958	Holsman	Changes the "Farm-to-School Act" and program to the "Farm-to-Table Act" and program. Connects Missouri farmers to institutions in order to provide such institutions with locally grown agricultural products. This act defines "institutions" as facilities including schools, correctional facilities, hospitals, nursing homes, and military bases. State Departments required to make staff available to the program.	Public Hearing Held: Senate Agriculture, Food Production and Outdoor Resources Committee 2/17/16
SB 989	Onder	Enacts multiple provisions to protect the privacy of student data.	Public Hearing Held: Senate Education Committee 2/10/16
SB 990	Onder	Allows students to enroll in a school district other than his or her school district of residence or in a charter school for the purpose of attending virtual courses or programs.	Referred: Senate Education Committee 1/28/16
SB 996	Pearce	Excludes funds designated by taxpayers in an urban district as local early childhood education funds from the local tax revenue calculation used to provide funding to charter schools that have declared themselves as a local educational agency	Voted Do Pass: Senate Education Committee 2/24/16
SB 998	Romine	Subject to appropriations, requires the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education to subsidize the exam fee for those taking the high school equivalency degree exam for the first time.	Voted Do Pass: Senate Education Committee 3/2/16
SB 1010	Curly	Changes the "Farm-to-School Act" and program to the "Farm-to-Table Act" and program. Connects Missouri farmers to institutions in order to provide such institutions with locally grown agricultural products. This act defines "institutions" as facilities including schools, correctional facilities, hospitals, nursing homes, and military bases. State Departments required to make staff available to the program.	Public Hearing Held: Senate Agriculture, Food Production and Outdoor Resources Committee 2/17/16
SB 1029	Schupp	Modifies the requirements for school anti-bullying policies. Requires the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education to develop guidelines for training or professional development in youth suicide awareness and prevention. Establishes the Show-Me Medical education Research Project Committee.	Referred: Senate Education Committee 2/22/16
SB 1042	Holsman	Prohibits online providers of educational services from engaging in targeted advertising to students who utilize such educational services. Prohibits the use or disclosure of protected student information for certain other purposes except under certain conditions.	Public Hearing Held: Senate Education Committee 3/9/16
SB 1048	Riddle	Subject to appropriation, requires the Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing to provide grants to certain organizations that provide services to deaf-blind children, adults, and service providers.	Referred: Senate Seniors, Families, and Children Committee 3/8/16

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BILL	SPONSOR	DESCRIPTION	BILL STATUS
SB 1050	Schaaf	Requires each student participating in any athletic practice or competition for his or her public school district's program to undergo certain preliminary examination for the purpose of diagnosing brain injuries. Requires each district to develop a concussion policy and train staff and coaches.	Public Hearing Held: Senate Veteran's Affairs and Health Committee 2/25/16
SB 1054	Schaefer	Prohibits public school districts and local educational agencies from pursuing or accepting any grant that would require collecting or reporting any type of student data in violation of state or federal student privacy regulations.	Referred: Senate Education Committee 2/22/16
SB 1062	Brown	Requires that any standards developed by the State Board of Education for the purposes of determining a child's eligibility for special educational services allow the consideration of trauma as a result of experience in foster care.	Referred: Senate Education Committee 2/22/16
SB 1109	Hegeman	Allows each school district may rely on technical course work and skills assessments developed for industry-recognized certificates and credentials when establishing career and technical education offerings.	Referred: Senate Education Committee 3/3/16
SB 1084	Pearce	Establishes an Early Learning Quality Assurance Report pilot program.	Referred: Senate Education Committee 3/3/16
SB 1125	Chappelle-Nadal	Requires that any special administrative board or alternative governing structure established by the State Board of Education in an unaccredited or transitional school district be dissolved no later than seven years after the establishment, at which time the State Board of Education shall provide for a transition back to local governance. Requires any special administrative board or alternative governing structure in operation as of the effective date of the act transition back to local governance by school year 2023-2024.	Referred: Senate Education Committee 3/3/16
SB 1128	Riddle	Requires the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education to report in the statewide longitudinal data system the percentage of students in each school district who have received all required immunizations.	Referred: Senate Education Committee 3/3/16
SJR 37	Chappelle-Nadal	Relating to the full funding of public elementary and secondary education	Referred: Senate Appropriations Committee 1/28/16
SJR 38	Schaefer	Proposes a constitutional amendment, if approved by the voters, that declares that every parent has a fundamental right to exercise exclusive control over all aspects of their child's life including education.	Referred: Senate Seniors, families, and Children Committee 2/18/16

HOUSE BILLS			
BILL	SPONSOR	DESCRIPTION	BILL STATUS
HB 1367	Hubrecht	Prohibits the Department from accepting any funds from the federal government that include conditions without approval by a House or Senate Concurrent Resolution. Prohibits the Department from submitting any plan to any federal agency without the approval of the house and senate committees on elementary and secondary education. Prohibits the Department from implementing any strategic plan or improvement effort agency without the approval of the house and senate committees on elementary and secondary education.	Public Hearing Held: House Emerging Issues in Education Committee 1/19/16
HB 1368	Hubrecht	Establishes the Committee on Schools for the Severely Disabled to examine state and federal regulations that affect the operations of the schools for the severely disabled and provide recommendations.	Second Read: House 1/7/16
HB 1369	Miller	Prohibits local school districts from setting an opening date for the school term that is more than ten calendar days prior to the first Monday in September for school year 2017-18 and for subsequent years.	Withdrawn 1/11/16
HB 1383	English	Expands the A+ Schools Program to graduates of any high school, public or private, that meets the program requirements.	Voted Do Pass: House Higher Education Committee 3/1/16
HB 1384	English	Allows school districts to discipline students for cyberbullying that occurs off campus.	Second Read: House 1/7/16
HB 1416	Houghton	Prohibits local school districts from choosing an opening date for the school term that is earlier than September first for school year 2017-2018 and for subsequent years.	Public Hearing Held: House Elementary and Secondary Education Committee 2/1/16
HB 1419	Pfautsch	Prohibits school districts from determining whether a student is gifted based on the student's participation in an advanced placement course or international baccalaureate course. Determination must be based on the statutory definition of "gifted children." Decreases state funding to school districts with decreases in gifted program enrollment of twenty percent or more from the previous year.	First Read: Senate 2/29/16

HOUSE BILLS			
BILL	SPONSOR	DESCRIPTION	BILL STATUS
HB 1420	Walker	Changes the laws regarding school employee retirement to reinstate a certain retirement allowance rate.	Reported Do Pass as Substituted: House Select Financial Institution/Taxation Committee 2/15/16
HB 1421	Walker	Modifies the definition of "political subdivision" as it relates to its cooperation with other political subdivisions to include county sheltered workshop boards	Perfected by Consent: House 2/23/16
HB 1427	Sommer	Requires school districts to post certain financial information on the district's website for free public access.	Reported Do Pass: House Select Committee on General Laws 3/8/16
HB 1429	Sommer	Changes the laws regarding the school funding formula by adding an additional weight for each gifted student to the calculation of the school district's weighted average daily attendance.	Public Hearing Held: House Elementary and Secondary Education Committee 2/15/16
HB 1430	Sommer	Specifies continuing education training for school board members, with additional training required for members serving districts with provisional accreditation.	Public Hearing Held: House Elementary and Secondary Education Committee 2/29/16
HB 1451	Wood	Requires charter schools to meet current state academic performance standards. Requires the Department to exercise its financial withholding authority when a sponsor notifies a charter school of non-renewal or revocation of the charter. Requires charter schools to satisfy all of its financial obligations within twelve months of notice from the sponsor of non-renewal or revocation of the charter. Allows approved charter schools (charter schools that have existed for less than three years or a charter school with a three-year average score of seventy percent or higher on its APR) to accept transfer students from unaccredited school districts.	Reported Do Pass: House Select Committee on Education 2/18/16
HB 1458	Butler	Creates the Missouri Parent/Teacher Involvement Program to provide grant awards to schools to develop and build trusting relationships between families and school staff. Requires each school board to adopt a policy on parental involvement in schools.	Referred: House Emerging Issues in Education Committee 2/10/16

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BILL	SPONSOR	DESCRIPTION	BILL STATUS
HB 1478	Entlicher	Modifies the bonding requirement regarding sureties for the treasurer of a seven-director school district.	Referred: Senate Financial and Governmental Organizations and Elections Committee 2/22/16
HB 1491	Gray	Establishes a program on police officer presence in schools and communities to increase positive social interaction between youth and law enforcement officers.	Referred: House Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness Committee 1/13/16
HB 1498	Gray	Establishes a community schools grant program in St. Louis City, St. Louis County, Jackson County, and Kansas City. Requires the Department to develop a state plan for community education that sets forth the goals and objectives of the program and establishes a system of priorities for targeting available resources.	Second Read: House 1/7/16
HB 1499	Gray	Establishes a Council for Community Education within the Department to conduct feasibility studies on the establishment of community education programs within the state.	Public Hearing Held: House Special Committee on Urban Issues 3/7/16
HB 1500	Gray	Allows schools to incorporate criminal justice instruction into curriculum.	Second Read: House 1/7/16
HB 1546	Lauer	Requires the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education to develop training guidelines and school districts to adopt a policy for youth suicide awareness and prevention education.	Perfected by Consent: House 2/23/16
HB 1580	McNeal	Requires the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education to establish a grant program to extend instructional time in underperforming school districts.	Second Read: House 1/7/16
HB 1583	Allen	Modifies the definition of bullying to include intimidation or harassment that substantially interferes with the educational performance, opportunities, or benefits of any student without exception, or that substantially disrupts the orderly operation of school. Modifies the components school districts must include in their anti-bullying policies. Requires the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education to develop training guidelines and school districts to adopt a policy for youth suicide awareness and prevention education.	Reported Do Pass as Substituted: House Select Committee on Education 2/16/16

HOUSE BILLS			
BILL	SPONSOR	DESCRIPTION	BILL STATUS
HB 1589	Koenig	Authorizes a tax credit for donations to a fund established for the provision of scholarships to foster care children.	Referred: House Select Committee on Financial Institutions and Taxation Committee 2/10/16
HB 1597	Newman	Creates the offense of making a threat to the security of a building or a public school (class C felony until 12/31/16 and a class D felony on and after 1/1/17).	Second Read: House 1/7/16
HB 1601	Ruth	Requires a teacher representative (employed full-time as a teacher) be appointed to the state board of education. The teacher representative will not have the right to vote on any matter or be counted in establishing a quorum.	First Read: Senate 2/29/16
HB 1602	Ruth	Requires vacancies on a school board to be filled by the county executive when there are two or more vacancies in a county without a county commission.	Perfect by Consent: House 3/7/16
HB 1611	Swan	Requires the Department to develop a process for recognition of a school district's academic and career counseling program where school districts have decided to establish one in cooperation with parents and the local community.	Reported Do Pass: House Select Committee on Education 2/18/16
HB 1612	Swan	Requires the State Board of Education to establish minimum requirements for a career and technical education certificate that a student can earn in addition to his or her high school diploma.	First Read: Senate 2/25/16
HB 1613	Swan	Requires school districts to develop a system for identifying students, in their ninth grade year, who are at risk of not being ready for college-level work or entry-level career positions. Requires academic and career counseling to take place prior to graduation.	First Read: Senate 2/29/16
HB 1621	Haahr	Creates the "Missouri Civics Education Initiative." Requires students attending a public, charter, or private school, prior to receiving a high school diploma to satisfactorily pass a basic civics test similar to the civics portion of the United States Naturalization test, produced by the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services.	Reported Do Pass as Substituted: House Select Committee on Education 2/9/16
HB 1624	Cookson	Requires school districts to designate bathrooms and other facilities as for the exclusive use of individuals of one sex and to prohibit individuals from accessing facilities that do not correspond to their sex.	Second Read: House 1/7/16

HOUSE BILLS			
BILL	SPONSOR	DESCRIPTION	BILL STATUS
HB 1625	Cookson	Increases funding under the school funding formula for school districts with an assessed valuation per student that fell within the lowest 10% of all school districts in the 2004-05 school year.	Referred: House Emerging Issues in Education Committee 1/20/16
HB 1626	Cookson	Raises the minimum teacher salary from \$25,000 to \$30,000 for the 2017-18 school year and subsequent years, subject to appropriation.	Referred: House Emerging Issues in Education Committee 1/20/16
HB 1627	Cookson	Caps school superintendent salaries (excludes SLPS and KCPS) to no more than four times the salary and benefits of an entry level teacher in that school district and requires school employee salaries be reported to local newspapers for publication.	Referred: House Emerging Issues in Education Committee 1/20/16
HB 1628	Cookson	Clarifies that individual school board members have no legal authority to act on behalf of the board.	Voted Do Pass: House Select Committee on Education 3/10/16
HB 1636	Love	Prohibits public schools that hold classes during the Missouri State Fair from receiving any state funding.	Referred: House Elementary and Secondary Education Committee 1/20/16
HB 1643	Hicks	Makes CPR instruction a high school graduation requirement.	Perfected: House 3/9/16
HB 1646	Swan	Creates the "Missouri Civics Education Initiative." Requires students attending a public, charter, or private school, prior to receiving a high school diploma to satisfactorily pass a basic civics test similar to the civics portion of the United States Naturalization test, produced by the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services.	Referred: Senate Education Committee 2/22/16
HB 1656	Dunn	Requires training in suicide awareness and prevention for public school teachers.	Referred: House Select Committee on Rules 2/23/16
HB 1667	Swan	Specifies that charter schools become eligible to receive state funding for early childhood education at the same time as the district in which they are located becomes eligible.	Reported Do Pass: House Select Committee on Education 2/18/16

HOUSE BILLS			
BILL	SPONSOR	DESCRIPTION	BILL STATUS
HB 1670	English	Allows a school district to authorize its schools to observe a moment of silence in individual classrooms.	Referred: House Elementary and Secondary Education Committee 1/12/16
HB 1683	Cookson	Prohibits local school districts from setting an opening date for the school term that is more than ten calendar days prior to the first Monday in September for school year 2017-18 and for subsequent years.	Public Hearing Held: House Elementary and Secondary Education Committee 2/1/16
HB 1696	Rowland	Requires the Missouri Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing to provide grants to organizations that provide services to deaf-blind persons.	First Read: Senate 3/7/16
HB 1699	Lant	Establishes the School Construction Act which exempts construction and maintenance work done for certain school districts from the prevailing wage requirement upon the school board's approval.	Referred: House Workforce Standards and Development Committee 1/13/16
HB 1709	Lair	Modifies provisions relating to the teacher and school employee retirement allowance in the instance of a dissolution.	Perfectured by Consent: House 3/7/16
HB 1710	Lair	Modifies provisions relating to the teacher and school employee retirement allowance regarding part-time work.	Perfectured by Consent: House 3/7/16
HB 1720	Swan	Replaces the currently required salary schedule that applies to all teachers with a compensation plan.	Second Read: House 1/7/16
HB 1734	Davis	Requires teachers to be certified in CPR.	Public Hearing Held: House Elementary and Secondary Education Committee 2/29/16
HB 1747	Lynch	Changes the "Farm-to-School Act" and program to the "Farm-to-Table Act" and program. Connects Missouri farmers to institutions in order to provide such institutions with locally grown agricultural products. This act defines "institutions" as facilities including schools, correctional facilities, hospitals, nursing homes, and military bases. State Departments required to make staff available to the program.	Reported Do Pass as Substituted: House Select Committee on Agriculture 2/10/16

HOUSE BILLS			
BILL	SPONSOR	DESCRIPTION	BILL STATUS
HB 1750	Roden	Specifies that the Pledge of Allegiance must be recited at least once per school day in schools supported by public funds.	Referred: House Select Committee on Education 2/16/16
HB 1755	Bahr	Specifies that parental liberty to direct the upbringing, education, and care of his or her children is a fundamental right not subject to infringement without demonstrating a compelling governmental interest.	Referred: House Select Committee on Judiciary 2/25/16
HB 1780	Fitzwater	Specifies that school teacher and employee retirement allowances must not exceed 2.55% of the member's final average salary for each year of service if the member's service is 31 years or more.	First Read: Senate 2/29/16
HB 1792	Lauer	Adds making a terrorist threat and statutory rape to the list of offenses that school administrators must report.	3/3/16 Voted Do Pass: House Select Committee on Education
HB 1849	Pogue	Prohibits school districts from collecting biometric information on students without the express written consent of parents or legal guardians.	Referred: House Elementary and Secondary Education Committee 1/28/16
HB 1871	Cookson	Requires school financial audits to contain certain information relating to extracurricular activities within the school district.	Voted Do Pass: House Select Committee on Education 3/3/16
HB 1879	Hubrecht	Places a cap of \$6,000 on the state adequacy target used to determine state aid to schools.	Second Read: House 1/7/16
HB 1888	Dogan	Establishes education savings accounts which may be used to pay tuition and fees, for tutoring, textbooks, transportation, etc.	Executive Session Continued: Action Postponed 2/22/16
HB 1905	Newman	Requires any course materials and instruction relating to human sexuality and sexually transmitted diseases be based on peer reviewed projects.	Second Read: House 1/7/16
HB 1928	Burlison	Creates the "Legislative Task Force on Dyslexia" and requires the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education to employ a dyslexia specialist and develop professional development programs.	Reported Do Pass as Substituted: House Select Committee on Education 3/7/16

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BILL	SPONSOR	DESCRIPTION	BILL STATUS
HB 1943	Wood	Repeals the requirement for a minimum number of school days. Limits the amount of time students take required statewide assessments to two percent of the school term. Establishes the Committee on the Education Formula to recommend a new formula for funding K-12 education. Limits the amount of summer school hours claimed for state-aid reimbursement to 120 hours for any student. Allows school districts that are unaccredited or provisionally accredited and charter schools operating in those districts to extend the school term by 120 hours.	Reported Do Pass as Substituted: House Select Committee on Education 3/7/16
HB 1946	Spencer	Establishes the Student Accountability Act that gives those students with certain scores on an assessment a notation on their high school diploma.	Public Hearing Held: House Elementary and Secondary Education 2/29/16
HB 1947	Spencer	Allows school districts to be excused from compliance with certain statutes in the event of withholding of funds by the governor.	Second Read: House 1/7/16
HB 1948	Spencer	Changes the law on school funding so that the exemption from compliance with certain statutes by school districts in the event of withholding of funds by the governor is permanent.	Second Read: House 1/7/16
HB 1949	Spencer	Requires school board candidates to undergo background checks. Requires the department of elementary and secondary education to release the information to the general public.	Voted Do Not Pass From Committee: House Emerging Issues in Education 2/22/16
HB 1950	Spencer	Prohibits public school employees from running for the school board in any school district.	Second Read: House 1/7/16
HB 1954	Dohrman	Requires all food and beverages sold to students at school during the school day to be in accordance with the Child Nutrition Act of 1966, 42 U.S.C. 1779, as amended by the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010. Exempts school-sponsored fundraisers.	Second Read: House 1/7/16
HB 1982	Ellington	Specifies that students shall take a world history course in order to graduate from high school.	Second Read: House 1/7/16
HB 2031	Bahr	Requires state board of education meetings to be recorded by video and posted on the website of the department of elementary and secondary education.	Referred: House Select Education Committee 3/1/16

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BILL	SPONSOR	DESCRIPTION	BILL STATUS
HB 2110	Bernskoetter	Specifies that students shall take one course solely on personal finance topics in order to graduate from high school.	Public Hearing Held: House Emerging Issues in Education Committee 1/25/16
HB 2117	Gray	Allows public schools to incorporate water and swim safety into existing physical education curriculum for students in grades three through twelve.	Second Read: House 1/11/16
HB 2118	Gray	Establishes a Task Force on School Safety Improvement to conduct studies on school security features and practices schools and law enforcement officers can take to decrease the likelihood that an event or crisis will occur.	Public Hearing Held: House Elementary and Secondary Education 3/7/16
HB 2121	Hummel	Changes the "Farm-to-School Act" and program to the "Farm-to-Table Act" and program. Connects Missouri farmers to institutions in order to provide such institutions with locally grown agricultural products. This act defines "institutions" as facilities including schools, correctional facilities, hospitals, nursing homes, and military bases. State Departments required to make staff available to the program.	Referred: Senate Agriculture, Food Production, and Outdoor Resources 2/22/16
HB 2123	Spencer	Establishes the Missouri Course Access Program.	Referred: House Select Education Committee 2/23/16
HB 2132	LaFaver	Creates the "Missouri Civics Education Initiative." Requires students attending a public, charter, or private school, prior to receiving a high school diploma to satisfactorily pass a basic civics test similar to the civics portion of the United States Naturalization test, produced by the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services.	Reported Do Pass as Substituted: House Select Committee on Education 2/9/16
HB 2178	Higdon	Requires high schools to offer driver's education courses.	Public Hearing Held: House Elementary and Secondary Education 2/15/16
HB 2185	Cookson	Creates the Missouri State High School Activities Association Interim Committee.	Public Hearing Held: House Elementary and Secondary Education 3/7/16
HB 2186	Ross	Allows school districts to develop policies on student recognition for participation in the Constitution Project of the Missouri Supreme Court.	Perfectured by Consent: House 3/7/16

HOUSE BILLS			
BILL	SPONSOR	DESCRIPTION	BILL STATUS
HB 2188	Hough	Authorizes Greene County, or any city within the county, to impose a sales tax, upon voter approval, to fund early childhood education.	Reported Do Pass as Substituted: House Select Committee on State and Local Government 2/18/16
HB 2189	Curtis	Prohibits school districts, schools, and teachers from receiving financial incentives for students' achievement of certain scores on any test. Requires any school employee who believes that a school district, school, or teacher has violated this prohibition to report the alleged violation to the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education.	Second Read: House 1/13/16
HB 2207	Curtis	Requires students, for school year 2018-2019 and every year thereafter, to receive four units of credit in mathematics and four units in science prior to graduation.	Second Read: House 1/14/16
HB 2238	Gannon	Subject to appropriations, requires the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education to subsidize the exam fee for those taking the high school equivalency degree exam for the first time.	Reported Do Pass: House Select Committee on Education 2/25/16
HB 2241	Dohrman	Requires coursework addressing the Bill of Rights in secondary schools and in college and university introductory courses in American government and American history.	Referred: House Select Committee on Education 2/16/16
HB 2244	Black	Changes the "Farm-to-School Act" and program to the "Farm-to-Table Act" and program. Connects Missouri farmers to institutions in order to provide such institutions with locally grown agricultural products. This act defines "institutions" as facilities including schools, correctional facilities, hospitals, nursing homes, and military bases. State Departments required to make staff available to the program.	Reported Do Pass as Substituted: House Select Committee on Agriculture 2/10/16
HB 2288	Parkinson	Prohibits a school district from entering into a contract with any teacher for unpaid leave that results in the teacher receiving funds from the district when another organization is reimbursing the district.	Public Hearing Held: House Emerging Issues in Education 2/22/16
HB 2303	Brattin	Prohibits any public school student from accessing certain facilities that do not correspond to his or her sex unless the student and a staff person are the only persons inside the facility.	Second Read: House 1/21/16

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BILL	SPONSOR	DESCRIPTION	BILL STATUS
HB 2307	Bahr	Establishes the Missouri Empowerment Scholarship Accounts Program which provides a tax credit for 100% of the amount of the contribution for taxpayers who make a qualifying contribution to an educational assistance organization for the scholarship accounts. The scholarships are available for eligible students, those with disabilities and those without, to pay tuition at qualified schools which are home schools, private schools, or preschools for children with disabilities or pay for educational therapies or services from licensed or accredited practitioners or providers, tutoring services, private online learning programs, etc.	Referred: House Select Committee on Financial Institutions and Taxation 2/24/16
HB 2314	Leara	Allows a teacher within the Public School Retirement System of the City of St. Louis to retire at age 62 or when his or her age added to the number of years of credited service is not less than 80. This will commonly be known as the Rule of 80. Currently, the retirement age is 65 or when the age added to the number of years of credited service is 85 and the rule is commonly known as the Rule of 85.	Public Hearing Held: House Emerging Issues in Education Committee 3/7/16
HB 2315	Bahr	Creates the Student Assessment Bill of Rights.	Public Hearing Held: House Elementary and Secondary Education Committee 2/29/16
HB 2352	Morgan	Requires children in the City of St. Louis and Kansas City school districts to enroll in a school by the age of five	Second Read: House 1/25/16
HB 2379	Swan	Specifies that public schools shall screen students for dyslexia and related disorders and provide for the instruction and accommodation of students determined to have dyslexia or a related disorder.	Referred: House Select Committee on Education Committee 2/25/16
HB 2409	Curtis	Consolidates all the school districts in St. Louis County.	Second Read: House 1/28/16
HB 2419	Kelley	Requires that public schools install and maintain video camera systems in systems in each classroom in which a child with a disability regularly receives special educational services.	Referred: House Emerging Issues in Education Committee 2/10/16
HB 2420	Spencer	Requires the commissioner to submit the evaluation rubric and bids to the Joint Committee of Education for review and comment prior to awarding contracts. Permits the JCED to veto the Commissioner's proposal. Adds additional responsibilities to the Commissioner's duties.	Second Read: House 2/1/16

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BILL	SPONSOR	DESCRIPTION	BILL STATUS
HB 2425	Spencer	Modifies provisions of the law governing education work groups.	Second Read: House 2/1/16
HB 2428	Swan	Changes the term "guidance counselor" to "school counselor" in the laws relating to education.	Referred: House Select Committee on Rules 3/9/16
HB 2479	Rowland	Requires school districts to give certain students excused absences when a student living with them participates in certain programs.	Second Read: House 2/4/16
HB 2491	Smith	Changes the laws regarding school course materials and instruction relating to human sexuality and sexually transmitted infections.	Second Read: House 2/8/16
HB 2504	Bahr	Expands the number of school districts that could qualify for a certain annual appropriation by including school districts with an average daily attendance of 450 students or fewer, rather than only including those with an average daily attendance of 350 students or fewer.	Second Read: House 2/10/16
HB 2505	Vescovo	Prohibits public school employees from asking students or parents about firearm ownership.	Second Read: House 2/10/16
HB 2546	Hubrecht	Requires the department of elementary and secondary education to offer training on dyslexia to all teachers on an annual basis.	Second Read: House 2/15/16
HB 2564	Montecillo	Requires the department of elementary and secondary education to establish a trauma-informed schools pilot program.	Public Hearing Held: House Emerging Issues in Education 3/7/16
HB 2565	Montecillo	Requires the department of elementary and secondary education to establish a trauma-informed schools initiative which consists of providing information to all school districts, offering training on the trauma-informed approach, and developing a website.	Public Hearing Held: House Emerging Issues in Education 3/7/16
HB 2566	Pfautsch	Establishes the early learning quality assurance report 3-year pilot program.	Referred: House Select Committee on Education 3/7/16
HB 2569	Hummel	Requires a student to receive instruction in Braille reading and writing if an assessment demonstrates the need for the instruction.	Referred: House Emerging Issues in Education Committee 3/3/16
HB 2570	Hill	Changes the training requirements for child care providers and school teachers and staff regarding identifying signs of possible child abuse.	Second Read: House 2/18/16

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BILL	SPONSOR	DESCRIPTION	BILL STATUS
HB 2571	Dunn	Establishes the Missouri Early Childhood Education Act which allows children four and five years of age to attend early childhood programs.	Second Read: House 2/18/16
HB 2573	Hubrecht	Requires the department of elementary and secondary education to ensure that any new or renewed contracts for services to develop or administer assessment instruments allow it to conduct compliance reviews without advance notice to the vendor.	Second Read: House 2/18/16
HB 2574	Hubrecht	Requires the joint committee on education to undertake additional duties related to oversight of the state education system.	Second Read: House 2/18/16
HB 2575	Montecillo	Requires teacher-training institutions receiving state aid to require students to demonstrate proficiency on the concepts of trauma-informed approach and trauma-specific interventions.	Public Hearing Held: House Emerging Issues in Education Committee 3/7/16
HB 2593	Swan	Excludes funds designated by taxpayers in an urban district as local early childhood education funds from the local tax revenue calculation used to provide funding to certain charter schools.	Second Read: House 2/22/16
HB 2594	Burlison	Establishes the "Local Economic and Academic Partnership Act" to encourage public and charter schools to enter into partnerships with local business entities in order to foster relationships that will benefit local community needs with respect to economic development and workforce training.	Second Read: House 2/22/16
HB 2595	Ellington	Allows school districts to create magnet schools and changes provisions regarding the powers of superintendents.	Second Read: House 2/23/16
HB 2606	Anderson	Prohibits school bus stops from being placed within 500 feet of a registered sexual offender.	Referred: House Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness Committee 3/3/16
HB 2646	English	Caps school superintendent salaries at four times the salary and benefits of an entry-level teacher in the school district and requires publication of school employee salaries in local newspapers.	Second Read: House 3/2/16
HB 2652	Moon	Repeals statute that directs the DESE to provide grants for instruction of the English language to nonnative English speakers who need assistance in learning English. Repeals statute that requires the adult basic education programs administered by the DESE to provide English language services to nonnative speakers who need assistance in learning English.	Second Read: House 3/2/16
HB 2674	Kelley	Allows school districts to implement alternative instruction plans to avoid make-up days.	Second Read: House 3/7/16

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BILL	SPONSOR	DESCRIPTION	BILL STATUS
HB 2693	Barnes	Allows nonpublic school students to receive reimbursement of higher education costs through the A+ schools program.	Second Read: House 3/9/16
HCR 67	Hubrecht	Encourages Congress to give states flexibility in their use of federal funds to support early childhood education.	Referred: House Elementary and Secondary Education Committee 1/28/16
HCR 83	Curtis	Urges the department of elementary and secondary education to promote a culture in which educators feel free to discuss issues and work together to achieve a quality education for each student.	Referred: House Elementary and Secondary Education Committee 2/3/16
HCR 85	Moon	Urges Congress to end all current and prohibit further interference by the U.S. Department of Education with respect to state decisions regarding academic content standards.	Referred: House Government Efficiency Committee 2/3/16
HCR 102	Hubrecht	Urges Congress to prohibit federal programs that incentivize states to adopt certain academic standards.	Second Read: House 2/15/16
HJR 59	Lauer	Proposes a constitutional amendment regarding when and the amount that a school district in a first classification charter county can become indebted.	Voted Do Pass: House Select Committee on Education 3/10/16
HJR 64	Dohrman	Proposes a constitutional amendment requiring members of the State Board of Education to be elected by voters instead of being appointed by the Governor.	Second Read: House 1/7/16
HJR 84	Carpenter	Proposes a constitutional amendment that requires appropriations for education to fully fund the formula.	Second Read: House 1/21/16
HJR 85	Morgan	Proposes a constitutional amendment that requires appropriations for education to fully fund the formula.	Second Read: House 1/25/16
HJR 87	Curtis	Proposes a constitutional amendment removing prohibitions against the General Assembly passing a local or special law changing a school district boundary, or creating offices, prescribing the powers and duties of officers in or regulating the affairs of school districts.	Second Read: House 1/28/16

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BILL	SPONSOR	DESCRIPTION	BILL STATUS
HJR 94	McNeil	Proposes a constitutional amendment guaranteeing children a right to an adequately and equitably funded public school.	Second Read: House 2/15/16
HJR 99	Burlison	Proposes a constitutional amendment that declares that every parent has a fundamental right to exercise exclusive control over all aspects of their child's life including education.	Second Read: House 2/25/16

Proposed Legislation – 2016

Relating to curriculum and/or graduation requirements

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HB 1500	Permits public schools to incorporate a study of the criminal justice system into the school district's or charter school's existing curriculum.
HB 1621, 1646, 2132; SB 638	Requires students to pass an examination on the provisions and principles of American civics prior to graduation. The examination must consist of one hundred questions similar to those used by the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services.
HB 1643; SB 711	Requires students to receive thirty minutes of CPR instruction and training prior to graduation. Requires the instruction be included in the existing health or physical education curriculum.
HB 1982	Requires students to complete a world history course prior to graduation.



Proposed Legislation – 2016

Relating to curriculum and/or graduation requirements

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HB 2110	Requires students to take a course solely on personal finance prior to graduation.
HB 2117	Permits public schools to incorporate water and swim safety into existing physical education curriculum.
HB 2207	Requires students to receive four units of credit in math and four units in science prior to graduation.
HB 2241	Requires American history courses at the elementary and secondary levels to include discussion of the Bill of Rights to include original intent as well as historical and current interpretations and applications.
HB 2491, 1905; SB 672	Requires any course materials and instruction relating to human sexuality and sexually transmitted infections to also be based on peer-reviewed projects that have been demonstrated to influence healthy behavior and be age appropriate.



Proposed Legislation – 2016

Relating to curriculum and/or graduation requirements

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SB 713

Permits public schools to establish curriculum relating to teen dating violence prevention and domestic violence.

