

MISSOURI STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA ITEM:**April 2015**

**CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDER OF RULEMAKING
TO AMEND RULE 5 CSR 20-600.120 INSTRUCTION FOR PREKINDERGARTEN**

STATUTORY AUTHORITY:

Sections 161.092 and 163.018, RSMo

Consent Item
 Action Item
 Report Item

DEPARTMENT GOAL NO. 2:

All Missouri children will enter kindergarten prepared to be successful in school.

SUMMARY:

HB 1689 (2014) authorized school districts to include children up to two (2) years from kindergarten entry and eligible for free or reduced-price lunch in their reported ADA counts for the purpose of receiving state aid. The number of prekindergarten students reported for state aid may not exceed four (4) percent of the district's pupil count of children between the ages of three (3) and 18 who are eligible for free or reduced-price lunch. The statute goes into effect in 2015-16 for districts classified as unaccredited, in 2016-17 for districts classified as provisionally accredited, and for all other districts in the year subsequent to full funding of the foundation formula. The proposed amendment removes language from 5 CSR 20-600.120 that limits the use of state aid to kindergarten through grade twelve instruction.

No comments were received during the 30-day comment period.

PRESENTER(S):

Jo Anne Ralston, Coordinator, Early Learning, will assist with the presentation and discussion of this agenda item.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Department recommends that the State Board of Education authorize publication in the *Missouri Register* of an order of rulemaking to amend rule 5 CSR 20-600.120, relating to Instruction for Prekindergarten, and that the State Board finds this proposed amendment necessary to carry out the purposes of Sections 161.092 and 163.018, RSMo.

Title 5 – DEPARTMENT OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION
Division 20 – Division of Learning Services
Chapter 600 – Office of Early and Extended Learning

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the State Board of Education under sections 161.092 and 163.018, RSMo Supp. 2014, the board hereby amends a rule as follows:

5 CSR 20-600.120 Instruction for Prekindergarten **is amended.**

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed amendment was published in the *Missouri Register* on March 2, 2015 (40 MoReg 227). No changes have been made to the text of the proposed amendment, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed amendment becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.