

MISSOURI STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA ITEM: **September 2014**

GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS UPDATE

STATUTORY AUTHORITY:

Section 161.092, RSMo

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DEPARTMENT GOAL NO. 4:

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

SUMMARY:

The following material contains a summary of the action taken during the veto session relating to education.

PRESENTER(S):

Mark Allan Van Zandt, General Counsel, and Constance Rush, Director of Legislative Outreach, will participate in the presentation and discussion of this agenda item.

2014 Department of Elementary and Secondary Education Date: 9-8-2014

BILL	SPONSOR	DESCRIPTION	BILL STATUS
HB 1189	Wood	Requires DESE to adopt a policy on high school graduation that allows certain agriculture or career and technical education courses to satisfy certain subject-specific graduation requirements.	Governor Signed 7/9/14
HB 1303	Haahr	Establishes the Missouri Student Religious Liberties Act, which prohibits a school district from discriminating against a student or parent on the basis of a religious viewpoint or expression.	Governor Signed 7/2/2014
HB 1490	Bahr	Mandates work groups on English language arts, mathematics, science, and history and governments whenever it develops, evaluates, modifies, or revises either academic performance or learning standards. The SBE must adopt and implement academic performance standards beginning in the 2016-2017 school year and align the statewide assessment system to the new standards as needed. DESE authorized to pilot assessments from the Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium during the 2014-2015 school year. The results of a statewide pilot will not be used for teacher evaluations or to lower any school district's accreditation.	Governor Signed 7/14/14
HB 1689	Swan	Allows a school district to receive state aid for children ages three and four participating in certain early childhood education programs.	Governor Signed 7/9/14
SB 492	Pearce	Implements a new model for allocating core funding to higher education institutions. Establishes the Missouri Advisory Board for Educator Preparation.	Governor Signed 6/19/14
SB 493	Pearce	Modifies provisions relating to school accreditation and student transfers, and mandates building-level accreditation for provisionally accredited and unaccredited districts. Mandates four levels of accreditation. Mandates that each district develop a policy on transfers and requires students to establish a 12-month residency prior to transfer. Provides for a non-public transfer option for students.	Governor Vetoed 6/24/14
SB 523	Emery	Prohibits school districts from requiring a student to use an identification device that uses radio frequency identification technology to transmit certain information.	Governor Vetoed 7/9/14
SB 656	Kraus	Omnibus bill relating to firearms. In part, this act allows a school district to designate one or more school teachers or administrators as a school protection officer. School protection officers are authorized to carry a concealed firearm or self-defense spray device.	Governor Vetoed 7/14/14
SB 701	Lager	Allows school districts to share a superintendent who possesses a valid Missouri's superintendent's license.	Governor Signed 7/9/14
SB 719	Kehoe	Prohibits any elected official, appointed official, or employee of any school district from performing a service, or selling, renting, or leasing any property to the school district for more than \$500 per transaction or for \$5,000 of value annually to him or her, to his or her spouse, or to a dependent child in his or her custody, or to any business with which he or she is associated, unless the transaction is made after public notice, competitive bidding, and the lowest bid or offer is accepted.	Governor Signed 7/9/14

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SB 782	Romine	Allows an individual with certification from the American Board for Certification of Teacher Excellence to obtain teacher certification in elementary education.	Governor Signed 7/9/14
SB 907	Richard	Allows the Carthage School District to transfer unrestricted funds from the incidental to the capital projects funds to complete student safety-related projects	Governor Signed 7/9/14