



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 5438

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**AN ACT CONCERNING ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE
INSTRUCTION AND IN-SERVICE TRAINING FOR TEACHERS AND
TEACHER PREPARATION COURSES.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 10-220a of the general statutes, as
2 amended by section 6 of public act 03-211, is repealed and the
3 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2004*):

4 (a) Each local or regional board of education shall provide an in-
5 service training program for its teachers, administrators and pupil
6 personnel who hold the initial educator, provisional educator or
7 professional educator certificate. Such program shall provide such
8 teachers, administrators and pupil personnel with information on (1)
9 the nature and the relationship of drugs, as defined in subdivision (17)
10 of section 21a-240, as amended, and alcohol to health and personality
11 development, and procedures for discouraging their abuse, (2) health
12 and mental health risk reduction education which includes, but need
13 not be limited to, the prevention of risk-taking behavior by children
14 and the relationship of such behavior to substance abuse, pregnancy,
15 sexually transmitted diseases, including HIV-infection and AIDS, as
16 defined in section 19a-581, violence, child abuse and youth suicide, (3)
17 the growth and development of exceptional children, including
18 handicapped and gifted and talented children and children who may
19 require special education, including, but not limited to, children with

20 attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder or learning disabilities, and
 21 methods for identifying, planning for and working effectively with
 22 special needs children in a regular classroom, (4) school violence
 23 prevention and conflict resolution, (5) cardiopulmonary resuscitation
 24 and other emergency life saving procedures, (6) computer and other
 25 information technology as applied to student learning and classroom
 26 instruction, communications and data management, [and] (7) the
 27 teaching of the language arts, reading and reading readiness for
 28 teachers in grades kindergarten to three, inclusive, and (8) second
 29 language acquisition in districts where English as a second language
 30 learners are enrolled. The State Board of Education, within available
 31 appropriations and utilizing available materials, shall assist and
 32 encourage local and regional boards of education to include: (A)
 33 Holocaust education and awareness; (B) the historical events
 34 surrounding the Great Famine in Ireland; (C) African-American
 35 history; (D) Puerto Rican history; (E) Native American history; (F)
 36 personal financial management; and (G) topics approved by the state
 37 board upon the request of local or regional boards of education as part
 38 of in-service training programs pursuant to this subsection.

39 Sec. 2. Section 10-145a of the general statutes is amended by adding
 40 subsection (f) as follows (*Effective July 1, 2004*):

41 (NEW) (f) On and after July 1, 2006, any program of teacher
 42 preparation leading to professional certification shall include, as part
 43 of the curriculum, instruction in the concepts of second language
 44 learning and second language acquisition and processes that reflects
 45 current research and best practices in the field of second language
 46 learning and second language acquisition. Such instruction shall be
 47 incorporated into requirements of student major and concentration.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2004</i>
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2004</i>

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