



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 5234

LCO No. 1710

Referred to Committee on Higher Education and Employment
Advancement

Introduced by:
REP. CANDELARIA, 95th Dist.

**AN ACT REQUIRING AN EDUCATIONAL CURRICULUM
CONCERNING THE SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND
LEARNING OF CHILDREN.**

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

- 1 That the general statutes be amended to require (1) every institution
- 2 of higher education granting degrees in education to implement a
- 3 curriculum concerning the social and emotional development and
- 4 learning of children, which shall include instruction in the provision of
- 5 comprehensive and coordinated mental health assessment, early
- 6 intervention and treatment services to children, and (2) a student to
- 7 complete such curriculum in order to qualify for a teaching certificate
- 8 from the Department of Education.

Statement of Purpose:

To ensure that teachers are properly trained to address social and
emotional learning issues.