



General Assembly

**Amendment**

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To: Subst. Senate Bill No. 25                      File No. 417                      Cal. No. 278

(As Amended by Senate Amendment Schedule "A")

**"AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE OFFICE OF EARLY CHILDHOOD."**

1            After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and  
2            internal references accordingly:

3            "Sec. 501. Section 10-15c of the general statutes is repealed and the  
4            following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2014*):

5            (a) The public schools shall be open to all children five years of age  
6            and over who (1) for the school years commencing July 1, 2014, to July  
7            1, 2017, inclusive, reach age five on or before the first day of January of  
8            [any] such school [year] years, and [each] (2) for the school year  
9            commencing July 1, 2018, and each school year thereafter, reach age  
10           five on or before the first day of October of such school year. Each such  
11           child shall have, and shall be so advised by the appropriate school  
12           authorities, an equal opportunity to participate in the activities,  
13           programs and courses of study offered in such public schools, at such  
14           time as the child becomes eligible to participate in such activities,

15 programs and courses of study, without discrimination on account of  
16 race, color, sex, gender identity or expression, religion, national origin  
17 or sexual orientation; provided boards of education may, by vote at a  
18 meeting duly called, admit to any school children under five years of  
19 age.

20 (b) Nothing in subsection (a) of this section shall be deemed to  
21 amend other provisions of the general statutes with respect to  
22 curricula, facilities or extracurricular activities."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Sec. 501	July 1, 2014	10-15c