



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 1055

LCO No. 4387



Referred to Committee on EDUCATION

Introduced by:
(ED)

AN ACT CONCERNING GIFTED AND TALENTED STUDENTS.

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2015*) The Commissioner of
2 Education shall designate an employee of the Department of Education
3 to be responsible for providing information and assistance to local and
4 regional boards of education and the parents or guardians of students
5 relating to the awareness and identification of, and the provision of
6 services to, gifted and talented children.

7 Sec. 2. (*Effective from passage*) The Department of Education shall
8 study the provision of services to gifted and talented students in
9 schools. Such study shall examine the best practices on (1) addressing
10 the intellectual, social and emotional needs of gifted and talented
11 students in schools, and (2) using technology to extend and advance
12 curriculum materials to provide instruction to gifted and talented
13 students without promoting such students to higher grade levels. Not
14 later than January 1, 2016, the department shall submit a report on its
15 findings and recommendations to the joint standing committee of the
16 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education,

17 in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general
18 statutes.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2015</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To require an employee of the Department of Education to be responsible for providing information and assistance to the public relating to gifted and talented students and to require the Department of Education to conduct a study that examines the best practices in the provision of services to gifted and talented students.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]