



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 911

January Session, 2017

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AN ACT CONCERNING SERVICES FOR 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, 2017*) The Commissioner of
2 Education shall designate an employee of the Department of
3 Education, preferably an employee who has experience working with
4 gifted and talented students, to be responsible for providing
5 information and assistance to local and regional boards of education
6 and the parents or guardians of students. Such information and
7 assistance shall relate to awareness about, identification of and the
8 provision of services to, gifted and talented students.

9 Sec. 2. (*Effective July 1, 2017*) The Department of Education shall
10 develop guidelines regarding the provision of services to gifted and
11 talented students in schools. Such guidelines shall include, but need
12 not be limited to, best practices for (1) addressing the intellectual,
13 social and emotional needs of gifted and talented students in schools,
14 (2) using technology to extend and advance curriculum materials to
15 provide instruction to gifted and talented students without promoting
16 such students to higher grade levels, and (3) providing educator
17 training and professional development relating to gifted and talented
18 students. Not later than January 1, 2018, the department shall make
19 such guidelines available to local and regional boards of education.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2017</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2017</i>	New section

Statement of Legislative Commissioners:

In Section 1, "awareness about and identification of, and" was changed to "awareness about, identification of and" for clarity.

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