



Substitute House Bill No. 5683

Special Act No. 19-21

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A DRY-LAND WATER SAFETY INSTRUCTION PILOT PROGRAM.

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

Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021, there is established, within available appropriations, a dry-land water safety instruction pilot program. The pilot program shall be administered by the Commission on Women, Children and Seniors, and shall provide dry-land water safety instruction to children in not more than fifteen municipalities in the state. Municipalities shall be chosen for participation in the pilot program based on the lack of availability of public school swimming facilities and water safety education programs in such municipalities, and priority shall be given to municipalities with high concentrations of minority populations that lack such facilities and programs.

(b) Not later than January 1, 2022, the Commission on Women, Children and Seniors shall report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, on the implementation of the pilot program to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to children. Such report shall evaluate the effectiveness of the pilot program and include recommendations for legislation concerning a state-wide

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implementation of the pilot program.

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