

FIRST REGULAR SESSION
SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
SENATE BILL NO. 172
98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Reported from the Committee on Education, March 11, 2015, with recommendation that the Senate Committee Substitute do pass.

ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary.

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AN ACT

To amend chapter 170, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to establishment of a career and technical education certificate.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 170, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new
2 section, to be known as section 170.029, to read as follows:

**170.029. 1. The state board of education shall establish minimum
2 graduation requirements for a career and technical education (CTE)
3 high school certificate. Students entering high school in the 2016-17
4 school year and thereafter shall be eligible to earn a CTE certificate.
5 A CTE certificate shall be a high school graduation certificate that
6 confers the same benefits for students that are conferred by any other
7 high school certificate meeting graduation requirements established by
8 the state board of education.**

9 **2. A CTE certificate shall be based on requirements designed to
10 provide students with technical skills and core academic skills and
11 shall demonstrate that the student is ready for a career in a technical
12 field.**

13 **3. Curriculum, programs of study, and course offerings shall be
14 determined by the local school district based on the needs and interests
15 of the students in the district. The state board of education shall work
16 in cooperation with individual school districts with the goal of students
17 having access to a minimum offering of six vocational areas of study.
18 An effort shall be made by the local district to offer programs of study
19 relating to as many vocational career paths as economically feasible to
20 students in the district. In establishing curriculum requirements, the**

21 district may incorporate standards for industry-recognized
22 certifications.

23 4. The department of elementary and secondary education shall
24 promulgate all necessary rules and regulations for the administration
25 of this section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in
26 section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this
27 section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to
28 all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section
29 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of
30 the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536
31 to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule
32 are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking
33 authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2015, shall
34 be invalid and void.

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