



Substitute Senate Bill No. 956

Public Act No. 19-63

***AN ACT CONCERNING GUIDELINES FOR A COMPREHENSIVE
SCHOOL COUNSELOR PROGRAM.***

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

Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2019*) Not later than July 1, 2020, the State Board of Education, in collaboration with a state-wide association that represents school counselors, shall adopt guidelines for a comprehensive school counseling program. Such guidelines shall ensure that all students have access to a comprehensive school counseling program that provides academic, social-emotional and post-secondary and career readiness programming by a certified school counselor with adequate training. The state board shall make the guidelines available to local and regional boards of education and published on the Internet web site of the Department of Education.