

HOUSE BILL No. 2480

By Representative Resman

12-6

1 AN ACT concerning education; requiring each school district to employ an
2 attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder specialist.

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4 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

5 Section 1. (a) Commencing on July 1, 2024, each school district shall
6 employ not fewer than one general education teacher, special education
7 teacher, speech-language pathologist, occupational therapist, guidance
8 counselor or school psychologist who has completed a comprehensive
9 attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder professional development training
10 program.

11 (b) A comprehensive attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder
12 professional development training program shall include:

13 (1) A comprehensive and current research-based description of the
14 social and emotional impact that attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder
15 has on learning, motivation, behavior and the family system;

16 (2) tools and strategies to address executive function skill
17 development in task initiation, organization, time management, self-
18 advocacy, emotional regulation and attention regulation; and

19 (3) tools and strategies to address challenging behaviors using a
20 strength-based, collaborative and problem solving approach that is
21 designed to improve conflict resolution, productivity, motivation and self-
22 advocacy.

23 (c) The state board of education shall identify and approve attention-
24 deficit hyperactivity disorder professional development training programs
25 that meet the requirements of this section. The state board of education
26 may adopt rules and regulations to implement this section.

27 Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
28 publication in the Kansas register.