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AN ACT

To repeal sections 160.514, 160.518, 160.526, 160.820, and 161.092, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof six new sections relating to elementary and secondary education standards, with an emergency clause.

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

Section A. Sections 160.514, 160.518, 160.526, 160.820, and 161.092,

- 2 RSMo, are repealed and six new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as
- 3 sections 160.514, 160.518, 160.526, 160.820, 161.092, and 161.855, to read as
- 4 follows:
 - 160.514. 1. By rule and regulation, and consistent with the provisions
- 2 contained in section 160.526, the state board of education shall adopt no more
- 3 than seventy-five academic performance standards which establish the
- 4 knowledge, skills and competencies necessary for students to successfully advance
- 5 through the public elementary and secondary education system of this state; lead
- 6 to or qualify a student for high school graduation; prepare students for
- 7 postsecondary education or the workplace or both; and are necessary in this era
- 8 to preserve the rights and liberties of the people.
- 9 2. [The state board of education shall convene work groups composed of
- 10 education professionals to develop and recommend academic performance
- 11 standards.] Whenever the state board of education develops, evaluates,
- 12 modifies, or revises academic performance standards or learning
- 13 standards, it shall convene work groups composed of education
- 14 professionals to develop and recommend such academic performance
- 15 standards or learning standards. Separate work groups composed of
- 16 **education** professionals with appropriate expertise shall be convened for [each

17 subject area listed in section 160.518. Active classroom teachers shall constitute 18 the majority of each work group. Teachers the following subject areas: English language arts; mathematics; science; and history and 19 20 governments. The subject area of history and governments shall incorporate geography and the history and governments of the United 2122 States and the world. For each subject area in which the state board of education develops, evaluates, modifies, or revises academic 23 24performance standards or learning standards, the state board shall 25convene two separate work groups, one work group for standards for 26 grades kindergarten through five and a second work group for standards for grades six through twelve. Each work group shall consist 2728 of ten members. An education professional serving on a work group 29 shall be a Missouri resident for a t least three years and have taught in 30 the work group's subject area for at least ten years or have ten years 31 of experience in that subject area. Education professionals serving on [such] work groups shall be selected by the following entities and persons: 32 33 professional teachers' organizations of the state, a statewide association of 34 Missouri school boards, a statewide association of charter schools, a 35 statewide association of school administrators, the speaker of the house 36 of representatives, the president pro tempore of the senate, the 37 governor, the lieutenant governor, the commissioner of higher education, and the heads of state-approved baccalaureate-level teacher 38 39 preparation programs located in Missouri. Each entity or person shall select one member for each work group. The professional teachers' 40 organizations shall collectively select one person for each work 41 42 group. The heads of the state-approved baccalaureate-level teacher 43 preparation programs shall collectively select one person for each work group. A person may be selected to serve on more than one work group 44 if he or she is qualified. [Additional teachers who are not members of such 45 organizations may serve by appointment of the state board of education.] No 46 work group member shall be required to be a member of a professional 47teacher association. The state board of education shall hold at least 48 three public hearings whenever it develops, evaluates, modifies, or 49 revises academic performance standards or learning standards. The 50 51 hearings shall provide an opportunity to receive public testimony, including but not limited to testimony from educators at all levels in 52the state, local school boards, parents, representatives from business

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and industry, labor and community leaders, members of the general assembly, and the general public. The state board of education shall hold the first hearing within thirty days of the work groups being convened. The state board of education shall hold the second hearing 57 approximately six months after it holds the first hearing. The state 58 board of education shall hold the third hearing when the work groups 59 submit the academic performance standards they have developed to the 60 state board. The state board of education shall also solicit comments 61 and feedback on the academic performance standards or learning standards from the joint committee on education and from academic 63 researchers. All comments shall be made publicly available. 64

- 3. The state board of education shall develop written curriculum frameworks that may be used by school districts. Such curriculum frameworks shall incorporate the academic performance standards adopted by the state board of education pursuant to subsection 1 of this section. The curriculum frameworks shall provide guidance to school districts but shall not be mandates for local school boards in the adoption or development of written curricula as required by subsection 4 of this section.
- 72 4. Not later than one year after the development of written curriculum frameworks pursuant to subsection 3 of this section, the board of education of 73 each school district in the state shall adopt or develop a written curriculum 74 75 designed to ensure that students attain the knowledge, skills and competencies established pursuant to subsection 1 of this section. Local school boards are 76 77 encouraged to adopt or develop curricula that are rigorous and ambitious and may, but are not required to, use the curriculum frameworks developed pursuant 78 to subsection 3 of this section. Nothing in this section or this act shall prohibit 79 school districts, as determined by local boards of education, to develop or adopt 80 81 curricula that provide for academic standards in addition to those identified by 82 the state board of education pursuant to subsection 1 of this section.
 - 5. Local school districts and charter schools may adopt their own education standards, in addition to those already adopted by the state, provided the additional standards are in the public domain.
 - 160.518. 1. Consistent with the provisions contained in section 160.526, the state board of education shall develop, **modify**, **and revise**, **as necessary**, a statewide assessment system that provides maximum flexibility for local school districts to determine the degree to which students in the public schools of the

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state are proficient in the knowledge, skills, and competencies adopted by such board pursuant to [subsection 1 of] section 160.514. The statewide assessment system shall assess problem solving, analytical ability, evaluation, creativity, and application ability in the different content areas and shall be performance-based 8 to identify what students know, as well as what they are able to do, and shall enable teachers to evaluate actual academic performance. The statewide 10 assessment system shall neither promote nor prohibit rote memorization and 11 12 shall not include existing versions of tests approved for use pursuant to the provisions of section 160.257, nor enhanced versions of such tests. After the 13 state board of education adopts and implements new academic 14 performance standards in place of the common core state standards under section 161.855, the state board of education shall not adopt or 17develop a criterion-referenced assessment instrument under this 18 section based on the common core state standards. The statewide assessment system shall measure, where appropriate by grade level, a student's 19 20 knowledge of academic subjects including, but not limited to, reading skills, writing skills, mathematics skills, world and American history, forms of 21 22 government, geography and science.

- 2. The **statewide** assessment system shall only permit the academic performance of students in each school in the state to be tracked against prior academic performance in the same school **and shall not be transferred out of the state in any form for reporting to non-state education entities.**
- 3. The state board of education shall suggest, but not mandate, criteria for a school to demonstrate that its students learn the knowledge, skills and competencies at exemplary levels worthy of imitation by students in other schools in the state and nation. Exemplary levels shall be measured by the statewide assessment system developed pursuant to subsection 1 of this section, or until said statewide assessment system is available, by indicators approved for such use by the state board of education. The provisions of other law to the contrary notwithstanding, the commissioner of education may, upon request of the school district, present a plan for the waiver of rules and regulations to any such school, to be known as "Outstanding Schools Waivers", consistent with the provisions of subsection 4 of this section.
- 4. For any school that meets the criteria established by the state board of education for three successive school years pursuant to the provisions of subsection 3 of this section, by August first following the third such school year,

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41 the commissioner of education shall present a plan to the superintendent of the 42school district in which such school is located for the waiver of rules and 43 regulations to promote flexibility in the operations of the school and to enhance and encourage efficiency in the delivery of instructional services. The provisions 44 of other law to the contrary notwithstanding, the plan presented to the 45 46 superintendent shall provide a summary waiver, with no conditions, for the pupil testing requirements pursuant to section 160.257, in the school. Further, the 47 provisions of other law to the contrary notwithstanding, the plan shall detail a 48 49 means for the waiver of requirements otherwise imposed on the school related to the authority of the state board of education to classify school districts pursuant 50 51 to subdivision (9) of section 161.092 and such other rules and regulations as 52 determined by the commissioner of education, excepting such waivers shall be 53 confined to the school and not other schools in the district unless such other schools meet the criteria established by the state board of education consistent 54 55 with subsection 3 of this section and the waivers shall not include the requirements contained in this section and section 160.514. Any waiver provided 56 57 to any school as outlined in this subsection shall be void on June thirtieth of any school year in which the school fails to meet the criteria established by the state 58 59 board of education consistent with subsection 3 of this section.

- 5. The score on any assessment test developed pursuant to this section or this chapter of any student for whom English is a second language shall not be counted until such time as such student has been educated for three full school years in a school in this state, or in any other state, in which English is the primary language.
- 65 6. The state board of education shall identify or, if necessary, establish one or more developmentally appropriate alternate assessments for students who 66 receive special educational services, as that term is defined pursuant to section 67 68 162.675. In the development of such alternate assessments, the state board shall establish an advisory panel consisting of a majority of active special education 69 teachers residing in Missouri and other education professionals as appropriate 70 to research available assessment options. The advisory panel shall attempt to 71 72 identify preexisting developmentally appropriate alternate assessments but shall, if necessary, develop alternate assessments and recommend one or more alternate 74assessments for adoption by the state board. The state board shall consider the recommendations of the advisory council in establishing such alternate 75assessment or assessments. Any student who receives special educational

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services, as that term is defined pursuant to section 162.675, shall be assessed by an alternate assessment established pursuant to this subsection upon a 79 determination by the student's individualized education program team that such alternate assessment is more appropriate to assess the student's knowledge, skills 80 and competencies than the assessment developed pursuant to subsection 1 of this 81 82 section. The alternate assessment shall evaluate the student's independent living skills, which include how effectively the student addresses common life demands 83 and how well the student meets standards for personal independence expected for 84 someone in the student's age group, sociocultural background, and community 85 86 setting.

- 7. The state board of education shall also develop recommendations regarding alternate assessments for any military dependent who relocates to Missouri after the commencement of a school term, in order to accommodate such student while ensuring that he or she is proficient in the knowledge, skills, and competencies adopted under section 160.514.
- 92 [8. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections 1 to 7 of this section, no 93 later than June 30, 2006, the state board of education shall administer the 94 following adjustments to the statewide assessment system:
 - (1) Align the performance standards of the statewide assessment system so that such indicators meet, but do not exceed, the performance standards of the National Assessment of Education Progress (NAEP) exam;
 - (2) Institute yearly examination of students in the required subject areas where compelled by existing federal standards, as of August 28, 2004; and
- (3) Administer any other adjustments that the state board of education deems necessary in order to aid the state in satisfying existing federal requirements, as of August 28, 2004, including, but not limited to, the requirements contained in the federal No Child Left Behind Act. Grade-level expectations shall be considered when the state board of education establishes performance standards.
- 9. By July 1, 2006, the state board of education shall examine its rules and regulations and revise them to permit waivers of resource and process standards based upon achievement of performance profiles consistent with accreditation status.]
 - 160.526. 1. In establishing, evaluating, modifying, and revising the academic performance standards and learning standards authorized by [subsection 1 of] section 160.514 and the statewide assessment system authorized

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by subsection 1 of section 160.518, the state board of education shall consider the work that has been done by other states, recognized regional and national experts, professional education discipline-based associations [and], other professional education associations, and the work product from the department of higher education's curriculum alignment initiative. [Further, in] After the effective date of this section, when establishing the academic performance standards, learning standards, and 10 statewide assessment system, the state board of education shall **not** adopt the 11 work that has been done by consortia of other states [and, subject to 12 appropriations, may contract with such consortia to implement the provisions of 13 sections 160.514 and 160.518]. 14

- 2. The state board of education shall, by contract enlist the assistance of such national experts[, as approved by the commission established pursuant to section 160.510, to receive reports, advice and counsel on a regular basis pertaining to the validity and reliability of the statewide assessment system. The reports from such experts shall be received by the [commission, which shall make a final determination concerning the reliability and validity of the statewide assessment system] state board of education. Within six months prior to implementation [of] or modification or revision to the statewide assessment system, the commissioner of education shall inform the president pro tempore of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives about the procedures to implement, modify, or revise the statewide assessment system, including a report related to the reliability and validity of the assessment instruments, and the general assembly may, within the next sixty legislative days, veto such implementation, modification, or revision by concurrent resolution adopted by majority vote of both the senate and the house of representatives.
- 31 3. The commissioner of education shall establish a procedure for the state 32 board of education to regularly receive advice and counsel from professional 33 educators at all levels in the state, district boards of education, parents, representatives from business and industry, the general assembly, and labor 34 35 and community leaders pertaining to the implementation of sections 160.514 and 160.518. By December 31, 2014, the commissioner of education shall 36 revise this procedure to allow the state board of education to regularly 38 receive advice and counsel from professional educators at all levels in the state, district boards of education, parents, representatives from

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business and industry, the general assembly, and labor and community leaders whenever the state board develops, evaluates, modifies, or 41 42revises academic performance standards, learning standards, or the 43 statewide assessment system under sections 160.514 and 160.518. The procedure shall include, at a minimum, the appointment of ad hoc committees 44 [and shall be in addition to the advice and counsel obtained from the commission 45 46 pursuant to section 160.510].

160.820. In order to assist the corporation in achieving the objectives identified in section 160.810, the department of economic development, 2 department of elementary and secondary education, and department of higher 3 education may contract with the corporation for activities consistent with the corporation's purpose, as specified in section 160.805, including but not limited 6 to the employment of any personnel of the corporation, administrative services, and provision of office space. When contracting with the corporation under the 7 provisions of this section, the departments [may directly enter into agreements with the corporation and shall [not] be bound by the provisions of chapter 34.

161.092. The state board of education shall:

- (1) Adopt rules governing its own proceedings and formulate policies for the guidance of the commissioner of education and the department of elementary and secondary education;
- (2) Carry out the educational policies of the state relating to public schools that are provided by law and supervise instruction in the public schools;
- (3) Direct the investment of all moneys received by the state to be applied 8 to the capital of any permanent fund established for the support of public education within the jurisdiction of the department of elementary and secondary 10 education and see that the funds are applied to the branches of educational interest of the state that by grant, gift, devise or law they were originally 11 12 intended, and if necessary institute suit for and collect the funds and return them to their legitimate channels;
- 14 (4) Cause to be assembled information which will reflect continuously the condition and management of the public schools of the state; 15
- 16 (5) Require of county clerks or treasurers, boards of education or other school officers, recorders and treasurers of cities, towns and villages, copies of all 17records required to be made by them and all other information in relation to the 19 funds and condition of schools and the management thereof that is deemed 20 necessary;

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- 21 (6) Provide blanks suitable for use by officials in reporting the information 22 required by the board;
- 23 (7) When conditions demand, cause the laws relating to schools to be 24 published in a separate volume, with pertinent notes and comments, for the 25 guidance of those charged with the execution of the laws;
 - (8) Grant, without fee except as provided in section 168.021, certificates of qualification and licenses to teach in any of the public schools of the state, establish requirements therefor, formulate regulations governing the issuance thereof, and cause the certificates to be revoked for the reasons and in the manner provided in section 168.071;
- 31 (9) Classify the public schools of the state, subject to limitations provided 32 by law and subdivision (14) of this section, establish requirements for the schools 33 of each class, and formulate rules governing the inspection and accreditation of schools preparatory to classification which shall allow individual school 34 35 districts that are accredited without provision to determine targeted priorities for the district, plan of action, resource needs for 36 37 implementing the plan, and evaluation criteria, with such requirements taking effect not less than two years from the date of adoption of the proposed 38 39 rule by the state board of education, provided that this condition shall not apply to any requirement for which a time line for adoption is mandated in either 40 41 federal or state law;
- 42 (10) Make an annual report on or before the first Wednesday after the 43 first day of January to the general assembly or, when it is not in session, to the 44 governor for publication and transmission to the general assembly. The report 45 shall be for the last preceding school year, and shall include:
- 46 (a) A statement of the number of public schools in the state, the number of pupils attending the schools, their sex, and the branches taught;
- 48 (b) A statement of the number of teachers employed, their sex, their 49 professional training, and their average salary;
- 50 (c) A statement of the receipts and disbursements of public school funds 51 of every description, their sources, and the purposes for which they were 52 disbursed;
 - (d) Suggestions for the improvement of public schools; and
- 54 (e) Any other information relative to the educational interests of the state 55 that the law requires or the board deems important;
 - (11) Make an annual report to the general assembly and the governor

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concerning coordination with other agencies and departments of government that 58 support family literacy programs and other services which influence educational 59 attainment of children of all ages;

- (12) Require from the chief officer of each division of the department of elementary and secondary education, on or before the thirty-first day of August 61 of each year, reports containing information the board deems important and desires for publication;
 - (13) Cause fifty copies of its annual report to be reserved for the use of each division of the state department of elementary and secondary education, and ten copies for preservation in the state library;
 - (14) Promulgate rules under which the board shall classify the public schools of the state; provided that the appropriate scoring guides, instruments, and procedures used in determining the accreditation status of a district shall be subject to a public meeting upon notice in a newspaper of general circulation in each of the three most populous cities in the state and also a newspaper that is a certified minority business enterprise or woman-owned business enterprise in each of the two most populous cities in the state, and notice to each district board of education, each superintendent of a school district, and to the speaker of the house of representatives, the president pro tem of the senate, and the members of the joint committee on education, at least fourteen days in advance of the meeting, which shall be conducted by the department of elementary and secondary education not less than ninety days prior to their application in accreditation, with all comments received to be reported to the state board of education;
- (15) Have other powers and duties prescribed by law. 81
- 161.855. 1. By October 1, 2014, the state board of education shall convene work groups composed of education professionals to develop 3 and recommend new academic performance standards in place of the common core state standards. The work groups shall be composed of individuals as provided in section 160.514. The state board of education and the work groups shall follow the procedures and conduct the public hearings required by section 160.514. The state board of education shall convene separate work groups for the following subject areas: English language arts; mathematics; science; and history and governments. For each of these four subject areas, the state board of 10 education shall convene two separate work groups, one work group for

12 grades kindergarten through five and another work group for grades 13 six through twelve.

- 2. The work groups shall develop and recommend new academic performance standards in place of the common core state standards to the state board of education by October 1, 2015. The work groups shall report on their progress in developing the academic performance standards to the president pro tempore of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives on a monthly basis.
- 3. The state board of education shall adopt and implement new academic performance standards in place of the common core state standards beginning in the 2016-2017 school year. The state board of education shall align the statewide assessment system to the new academic performance standards as needed within three years of adopting new academic performance standards.
- 4. The department of elementary and secondary education shall pilot assessments from the Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium during the 2014-2015 school year for every school district and charter school in the state. For the 2014-2015 school year, the results of the statewide pilot assessments shall not be used for high stakes accountability or teacher evaluations, or to lower any public school district's accreditation.

Section B. Because of the need to convene work groups in a timely manner to begin the process of developing new academic performance standards in place of the common core state standards, section A of this act is deemed necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, welfare, peace and safety, and is hereby declared to be an emergency act within the meaning of the constitution, and section A of this act shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and approval.

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