

HOUSE BILL No. 2019

By Special Committee on Preschool and K-12 Matters

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AN ACT concerning school districts; relating to parent education programs; revising the definition of infant and toddler; amending K.S.A. 72-3603 and 72-3606 and repealing the existing sections.

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

Section 1. K.S.A. 72-3603 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-3603. As used in this act:

(a) "Board" means the board of education of any school district.

(b) "School district" means any public school district organized and operating under the laws of this state.

(c) "Parent education program" means a program developed and operated by a board for the purpose of providing expectant parents and parents of infants or toddlers or both with information, advice, assistance, resource materials, guidance and learning experiences regarding such measures as parenting skills and the various styles of parenting, the processes and principles of growth and development of children, home learning activities designed for infants and toddlers, techniques emphasizing a positive approach to discipline, effective methods of communicating and interacting with children so as to foster the development of self-esteem, strategies for structuring behavioral limits and increasing mutual positive regard, and other elements of effective parenting that are conducive to the structuring of a home environment in which children are encouraged to be successful and productive learners.

(d) "Infant" and "toddler" mean a child who has not attained the age of ~~three~~ four years.

(e) "State board" means the state board of education.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 72-3606 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-3606. (a) ~~(1) In the 1990-91~~ each school year, to the extent that appropriations are available therefor, ~~and on the basis of established priorities, the state board shall select for the award of grants of state moneys those school districts, not to exceed 100 school districts, which the state board determines to be most capable of developing and operating successful parent education programs.~~

~~(2) In the 1991-92 school year, to the extent that appropriations are available therefor, and on the basis of established priorities, the state~~

1 ~~board shall select for the award of grants of state moneys those school~~
2 ~~districts, not to exceed 200 school districts, which the state board deter-~~
3 ~~mines to be most capable of developing and operating successful parent~~
4 ~~education programs.~~

5 ~~—(3) In the 1992-93 school year and in each school year thereafter, to~~
6 ~~the extent that appropriations are available therefor, each school district~~
7 ~~which has developed and is operating an approved parent education pro-~~
8 ~~gram shall be eligible to receive a grant of state moneys.~~

9 (b) The amount of a grant to a school district shall be determined by
10 the state board in accordance with established priorities, but in no event
11 shall such amount exceed the amount of actual expenses incurred by the
12 school district in the development and operation of a program. If the
13 amount of appropriations for parent education programs is insufficient to
14 pay in full the amount each school district is determined to be eligible to
15 receive, the state board shall prorate the amount appropriated among all
16 school districts in proportion to the amount each such school district is
17 determined to be eligible to receive.

18 Sec. 3. K.S.A. 72-3603 and 72-3606 are hereby repealed.

19 Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
20 publication in the statute book.

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