

February 6, 2001

**S 71. SUSPENDED STUDENTS TO ALTERNATIVE PROGS. TO ESTABLISH A PILOT PROGRAM UNDER WHICH PARTICIPATING LOCAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNITS PLACE ALL STUDENTS WHO ARE ON SHORT-TERM OUT-OF-SCHOOL SUSPENSION IN ALTERNATIVE LEARNING PROGRAMS.** Directs State Bd. Of Education and Dep't of Juvenile Justice to establish pilot programs with no more than five local schools as title indicates. Participating local school boards must develop plans with specified elements. Authorizes Dep't of Juvenile Justice and Juvenile Crime Prevention Councils to use any available resources for pilots and allows contracts with nonprofits. Shields participating school boards and nonprofits from liability. Requires Dep't of Public Instruction and Dep't of Juvenile Justice to report to Jt. Legis. Education Oversight Comm. by April 15, 2003 on implementation and outcomes of pilots.

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March 8, 2001

**S 71. SUSPENDED STUDENTS TO ALTERNATIVE PROGS.** Intro. 2/6/01. Senate committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Provides that school unit's plan may elect not to include some or all students who are on short-term out-of-school suspension and for whom a recommendation for long-term suspension is pending. Further provides that plan may not require the placement of a child with disabilities in an alternative learning program if the placement is inappropriate under the child's individual education plan. Allows school unit to delay implementation of plan if adequate funding is not available. Provides that if school unit contracts with a nonprofit corporation to administer alternative learning program, nonprofit must maintain adequate liability insurance, local board of education is not responsible for supervision or control of contracted program, and no cause of action may be maintained against local school board, officers, or employees for damages or injury arising from alternative learning program not under direct supervision or control of local school board or its employees. Makes statutes and policies regarding student discipline, attendance, and absences applicable to alternative learning programs. Makes additional changes with respect to plans for alternative learning programs and report to General Assembly on pilot programs.

March 13, 2001

**S 71. SUSPENDED STUDENTS TO ALTERNATIVE PROGS.** Intro. 2/6/01. Senate amendment makes the following changes to 2nd edition. Adds statement that the goal of alternative learning programs is successful re-entry into a regular school setting. Makes pilot unit's consultation with various government agencies and parties mandatory, and adds Dep't of Health and Human Services to list of parties that must be consulted.

March 14, 2001

**S 71. SUSPENDED STUDENTS TO ALTERNATIVE PROGS.** Intro. 2/6/01. Senate amendment makes the following changes to 2nd edition. Requires State Board of Education, Dep't of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, and pilot units to implement act with existing state resources, by redirecting state resources and using nonstate funds.

March 15, 2001

**S 71. SUSPENDED STUDENTS TO ALTERNATIVE PROGS.** Intro. 2/6/01. Senate amendment makes the following changes to 2nd edition. Adds that pilot unit must, to the extent reasonable and practicable, ensure that suspended students are in programs or classrooms separate from those for violent adjudicated offenders.

April 5, 2001

**S 71. SUSPENDED STUDENTS ASS'D TO ALTERNATIVE PROGS.** Intro. 2/6/01. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 3rd edition. Requires State Board of

Education and Dep't of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention to develop an application process for local boards of education to participate in the pilot program.

May 21, 2001

**S 71. SUSPENDED STUDENTS TO ALTERNATIVE PROGS.** Intro. 2/6/01. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 4th edition. Provides that pilot unit cannot send suspended students to programs in training schools or detention centers. Deletes provisions that local school boards are not responsible for supervision or control of program run by another agency and prohibiting causes of action against school boards for damages arising out of programs not under supervision and control of school board.

June 11, 2001

**SL 2001-178 (S 71). SUSPENDED STUDENTS ASSIGNED TO ALTERNATIVE PROGRAMS.** *AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A PILOT PROGRAM UNDER WHICH PARTICIPATING LOCAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNITS PLACE ALL STUDENTS WHO ARE ON SHORT-TERM OUT-OF-SCHOOL SUSPENSION IN ALTERNATIVE LEARNING PROGRAMS.* Summarized in *Daily Bulletin* 2/6/01, 3/8/01, 3/13/01, 3/14/01, 3/15/01, 4/5/01, and 5/21/01. Enacted June 7, 2001. Effective June 7, 2001.