

**FORTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE
FIRST SESSION, 2005**

February 25, 2005

Mr. Speaker:

Your **EDUCATION COMMITTEE**, to whom has been referred
HOUSE BILL 337

has had it under consideration and reports same with
recommendation that it **DO PASS**, amended as follows:

1. On page 1, line 22, after the dash insert the subsection
designation "A."

2. On page 1, line 23, after "that" insert a colon and the
following:

"(1) special needs are present among the state's
population of preschool children, especially for children in school
districts in which there are public elementary schools that are not
making adequate yearly progress, and those needs warrant the
provision of pre-kindergarten programs as a means of advancing equal
opportunity for children whose readiness to learn may be impeded by
circumstances beyond their control;

(2)".

3. On page 2, line 1, strike the period and insert in lieu
thereof "; and" and the following:

"(3) the pre-kindergarten programs, and the
services they provide, will serve to advance and to promote the
governmental interest and the task of furthering a readiness to
learn on the part of children served before they enter instructional
environments.

B."

4. On page 2, line 5, before the period insert:
"; provided, however, that programs shall be targeted toward
communities that have the highest percentage of public elementary
schools that are not meeting the proficiency component required for
calculating adequate yearly progress."

5. On page 2, line 23, after "school" insert ", tribal
program".

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6. On page 2, between lines 23 and 24, insert a new Subsection F:

"F. "licensed" means licensed by an agency of the state, federal or tribal government with jurisdiction over early childhood development;".

7. Reletter the succeeding subsections accordingly.

8. On page 3, line 15, after the period insert:

"The departments shall monitor pre-kindergarten programs to ensure the effectiveness of child-centered, developmentally appropriate practices and outcomes. If the departments determine that a program is not meeting the goals set by the departments, they shall notify the program that failure to meet the goals shall result in the cessation of funding.".

9. On page 3, line 20, after the first occurrence of "the" insert "educational level or".

10. On page 3, line 22, after the period strike the remainder of the line, strike lines 23 through 25 and on page 4, strike lines 1 and 2 and insert in lieu thereof:

"Priority for funding shall be given to public elementary schools that are designated Title 1 schools and serving the highest percentage of public elementary students that are not meeting the proficiency component required for calculating adequate yearly progress and to supplement public, tribal and private early childhood programs that are:

(1) licensed as of July 1, 2005;

(2) serving communities that have the highest percentage of public elementary schools that are not meeting the proficiency component required for calculating adequate yearly progress; and

(3) serving children, at least sixty-six percent of whom live within the attendance zone of a Title 1 elementary school.".

11. On page 5, line 24, strike "and".

12. On page 5, after line 25, insert the following new subparagraph:

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"(k) municipalities; and".

13. On page 6, line 20, after "facilities" strike the remainder of the line, strike all of line 21 and insert in lieu thereof "that meet the standards of the children, youth and families department or tribal or federal codes;".

14. On page 9, line 4, after "meeting" insert "the proficiency component required for calculating".

15. On page 9, line 5, after "progress" insert "and that are serving children, at least sixty-six percent of whom live within the attendance zone of a Title 1 elementary school".,

16. On page 13, line 24, strike "Nine million dollars (\$9,000,000)" and insert in lieu thereof "Four million dollars (\$4,000,000)".

17. On page 14, line 3, strike "seven million dollars (\$7,000,000)" and insert in lieu thereof "three million dollars (\$3,000,000)".

18. On page 14, lines 5 and 6, strike "two hundred thirty thousand dollars (\$230,000)", and insert in lieu thereof "two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000)".

19. On page 14, lines 8 and 9, strike "one million five hundred thousand dollars (\$1,500,000)" and insert in lieu thereof "seven hundred thousand dollars (\$700,000)".

20. On page 14, lines 14 and 15, strike "two hundred seventy thousand dollars (\$270,000)" and insert in lieu thereof "one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000)".,

and thence referred to the **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**.

Respectfully submitted,

Rick Miera, Chairman

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Adopted _____ Not Adopted _____
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Date _____

The roll call vote was 8 For 5 Against
Yes: 8
No: Boykin, Hall, Hamilton, Williams, Zanetti
Excused: Cordova
Absent: None

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