

# HOUSE BILL NO. 1357

## 97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE BARNES.

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

### AN ACT

To amend chapter 167, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to student study plans.

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

Section A. Chapter 167, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 167.780, to read as follows:

**167.780. 1. Prior to the end of the student's sixth grade year, and in conjunction with the student's parent or guardian and the school district, each student shall develop a personal plan of study based upon standards adopted under this section.**

**2. The school district shall adopt all necessary policies to implement a comprehensive guidance and counseling program focusing on career awareness in the elementary grades, career exploration at the middle grades, and educational and career planning at the high school level, with the goal of ensuring that students are career ready after completion of technical training, college, or any other training required for a student's chosen career.**

**3. The school district policy shall include, but not be limited to, the following elements:**

**(1) Active participation by counselors, teachers, administrators, as well as involvement of the student's parent or guardian in the development, review and revision of personal plans of study;**

**(2) Adequate resources and training for the development of personal plans of study;**

**(3) Adequate time and opportunity for schools to implement the individual planning process required in the development of personal plans of study; and**

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in bold-face type in the above bill is proposed language.

19           **(4) Access to the statewide, web-based educational and career planning system**  
20 **sponsored by the department of elementary and secondary education.**

21           **4. The personal plan of study shall be reviewed at least annually by school**  
22 **personnel and the student with involvement of the student's parent or guardian and**  
23 **updated based upon the needs of the student. Each plan shall cover a term of eight years**  
24 **or until the student has reached his or her postsecondary goals, with implementation of the**  
25 **plan of study transferring to the program of postsecondary education or training upon the**  
26 **student's graduation. The plan shall include, but not be limited to:**

27           **(1) Requirements for graduation from the school district;**

28           **(2) Career or postsecondary goals based on career paths or career clusters;**

29           **(3) Course work or program of study related to career and postsecondary goals;**

30 **and**

31           **(4) Student assessments, interest inventories or academic results needed to develop,**  
32 **review, and revise the personal plan of study.**

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