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97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVES SCHUPP (Sponsor), MCNEIL, KIRKTON, MCCANN BEATTY,
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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 163, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to state funding for prekindergarten programs.

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

Section A. Chapter 163, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be
2 known as section 163.018, to read as follows:

3 **163.018. 1. Notwithstanding the definition of "average daily attendance" in**
4 **subdivision (2) of section 163.011 to the contrary, pupils between the ages of three and five**
5 **attending a prekindergarten program that is operated by and in a district providing full-**
6 **day kindergarten and that meets standards established by the state board of education,**
7 **shall be included in the district's calculation of average daily attendance.**

8 **2. The provisions of this section shall become applicable in any school year**
9 **subsequent to a school year in which the amount appropriated for subsections 1 and 2 of**
10 **section 163.031 is equal to or exceeds the amount necessary to fund the entire entitlement**
11 **calculation determined by subsections 1 and 2 of section 163.031, and shall remain**
12 **applicable in all school years thereafter, irrespective of the amount appropriated for**
13 **subsection 1 and 2 of section 163.031 in any succeeding year.**

14 **3. This section shall not require school attendance beyond that mandated under**
15 **section 167.031 and shall not change or amend the provisions of sections 160.051, 160.053,**
16 **160.054, and 160.055 relating to kindergarten attendance.**

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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.