

SENATE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

Chairman of Committee

April 24, 2008
Date

Committee on Education.

After consideration on the merits, the Committee recommends the following:

HB08-1021 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee on Appropriations with favorable recommendation:

1 Amend reengrossed bill, page 4, after line 3, insert the following:

2 "(c) IF AN ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT INCLUDES IN ITS PROGRAM PLAN
3 PROVISIONS TO IDENTIFY AND SERVE HIGHLY ADVANCED GIFTED CHILDREN
4 AS DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH (a) OF THIS SUBSECTION (1.5), THE
5 ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT SHALL MAKE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST TO ANY
6 PERSON THE ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT'S CRITERIA AND PROCESS FOR
7 IDENTIFYING A HIGHLY ADVANCED GIFTED CHILD FOR WHOM EARLY
8 ACCESS TO KINDERGARTEN OR FIRST GRADE IS DEEMED APPROPRIATE,
9 INCLUDING TIME FRAMES, DEADLINES, AND ANY SPECIFIC TESTS AND
10 THRESHOLD SCORES USED BY THE ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT IN IDENTIFYING
11 AND MAKING A FINAL DETERMINATION CONCERNING SUCH A STUDENT.

12 (d) IF AN ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT INCLUDES IN ITS PROGRAM PLAN
13 PROVISIONS TO IDENTIFY AND SERVE HIGHLY ADVANCED GIFTED CHILDREN
14 AS DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH (a) OF THIS SUBSECTION (1.5), THE
15 ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT MAY CHARGE A FEE FOR ANY ASSESSMENTS OR
16 OTHER PROCEDURES THAT THE ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT PERFORMS FOR THE
17 PURPOSE OF IDENTIFYING A HIGHLY ADVANCED GIFTED CHILD FOR WHOM
18 EARLY ACCESS TO KINDERGARTEN OR FIRST GRADE IS DEEMED
19 APPROPRIATE; EXCEPT THAT AN ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT SHALL NOT CHARGE
20 SUCH A FEE FOR ANY SUCH ASSESSMENTS OR OTHER PROCEDURES IF THE
21 CHILD WHO IS THE SUBJECT OF SUCH ASSESSMENTS OR OTHER PROCEDURES
22 IS ELIGIBLE FOR A REDUCED-COST MEAL OR FREE MEAL PURSUANT TO THE

- 1 FEDERAL "NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH ACT", 42 U.S.C. SEC. 1751 ET SEQ."
- 2 Reletter succeeding paragraph accordingly.

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