



OHIO LEGISLATIVE SERVICE COMMISSION

Bill Analysis

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(As Passed by the House)

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BILL SUMMARY

- Requires the State Board of Education to adopt a model curriculum for cursive handwriting instruction for students in kindergarten through fifth grade.

CONTENT AND OPERATION

The bill requires the State Board of Education to adopt a model curriculum for cursive handwriting for students in kindergarten through fifth grade to ensure that students develop the ability to print letters and words legibly by third grade and to create readable documents using legible cursive handwriting by the end of fifth grade. When the model curriculum has been adopted, the Department of Education must notify all school districts, community schools, STEM schools, and college-preparatory boarding schools of the content of the curriculum. Any district or school may use the model curriculum.¹

The bill requires the State Board to develop the model curriculum by December 31, 2018, and to make a decision on whether to adopt it by March 31, 2019, so that it is ready for use in the 2019-2020 school year.²

¹ R.C. 3301.0721(B).

² Section 3.

HISTORY

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