

SB0604/574830/1

BY: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 604
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike “and Salling” and substitute “Salling, and Robinson”; in line 2, strike “Teacher” and substitute “School Personnel”; strike beginning with “requiring” in line 4 down through “regulations;” in line 8; strike beginning with “requiring” in line 13 down through “program;” in line 15; in line 23, after “screening;” insert “requiring each county board of education, on or before a certain date, to require certain school personnel to complete training on understanding and recognizing the symptoms of visual impairments; requiring each county board to approve a course that meets certain criteria; requiring certain school personnel to complete certain training within a certain period of time;”; strike beginning with “requiring” in line 24 down through “individuals;” in line 26; in line 27, strike “teacher” and substitute “school personnel”; and strike in their entirety lines 28 through 30, inclusive.

On page 2, strike in their entirety lines 1 and 2; and strike in their entirety lines 8 through 17, inclusive.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On pages 2 and 3, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 21 on page 2 through line 5 on page 3, inclusive.

On page 4, in line 16, strike “(I)”; in the same line, strike the brackets; strike beginning with “SUBJECT” in line 16 down through “UNLESS” in line 17; and strike in their entirety lines 21 through 24, inclusive.

On page 5, after line 21, insert:

(Over)

“(H) (1) ON OR BEFORE JULY 1, 2018, EACH COUNTY BOARD SHALL REQUIRE SCHOOL PERSONNEL WHO CONDUCT VISION SCREENINGS FOR STUDENTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SECTION TO COMPLETE TRAINING ON UNDERSTANDING AND RECOGNIZING THE SYMPTOMS OF VISUAL IMPAIRMENTS, INCLUDING VISUAL PROCESSING DISORDERS AND BINOCULAR PROCESSING DISORDERS.

(2) EACH COUNTY BOARD SHALL APPROVE A COURSE REQUIRED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION THAT:

(I) IS DESIGNED FOR EDUCATORS;

(II) HAS BEEN IN USE FOR AT LEAST 5 YEARS; AND

(III) IS TAKEN ONLINE AND COMPLIES WITH § 508 OF THE FEDERAL REHABILITATION ACT OF 1973.

(3) NEW SCHOOL PERSONNEL REQUIRED TO COMPLETE THE TRAINING UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION SHALL COMPLETE THE TRAINING WITHIN 2 YEARS AFTER THE DATE OF HIRE.”.

On pages 5 through 7, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 22 on page 5 through line 14 on page 7, inclusive.