

ADOPTED

Senators Hickman of the 4th, Dixon of the 45th, Tillery of the 19th, Anavitarte of the 31st, Williams of the 25th and others offered the following amendment:

- 1 *Amend SB 464 (LC 49 1734) by replacing lines 1 through 2 with the following:*
- 2 To amend Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
- 3 elementary and secondary education, so as to revise the "Georgia Early Literacy Act"; to
- 4 establish the School Supplies for
- 5 *By inserting "to provide for an effective date;" after "matters;" on line 13.*
- 6 *By replacing line 17 with the following:*
- 7 Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elementary and
- 8 secondary education, is amended by adding a two new paragraphs to subsection (b), revising
- 9 subparagraphs (c)(3)(B), (c)(4)(A), and (c)(4)(B), and repealing and reserving subparagraph
- 10 (d)(3)(B) of Code Section 20-2-153.1, relating to Georgia Early Literacy, definitions,
- 11 uniform grade appropriate metrics to measure literacy, role of school boards, and
- 12 accommodations, to read as follows:
- 13 "(1.1) 'Center' means the Sandra Dunagan Deal Center for Early Language and Literacy.
- 14 (1.2) 'Council' means the Georgia Council on Literacy."
- 15 "(B) ~~By May 15, 2024~~ As soon as practicable but not later than July 1, 2024, the board
- 16 shall approve the memorandum of agreement between the council and the department,
- 17 as provided for in subparagraph (B) of paragraph (4) of this subsection, for a free a list
- 18 of universal reading screeners screener to be used for use by public schools and local

19 school systems as part of their comprehensive literacy programs which meet the
20 following criteria:"

21 "(4)(A) ~~As soon as practicable but not later than August~~ By June 1, 2024, the
22 department shall publish on its public website ~~a list of board approved providers of~~
23 ~~universal reading screeners for use by public schools and local school systems,~~
24 ~~including the free universal reading screener provided by the department~~ that each
25 public school and local school system shall adopt and administer in order to comply
26 with the requirements of subparagraph (d)(3)(C) of this Code section.

27 (B) ~~The department shall provide~~ council, in collaboration with the center and the
28 Office of Planning and Budget, shall identify a universal reading screener that meets
29 the criteria established by the board as provided in subparagraph (B) of paragraph (3)
30 of this subsection. The council shall enter into a memorandum of agreement with the
31 department to make such ~~Such~~ universal reading screener ~~shall be made~~ available for
32 use free of charge to public schools and local school systems ~~and shall be included on~~
33 ~~the list provided for in subparagraph (A) of this paragraph."~~

34 **SECTION 2.**

35 Said chapter is further amended in Article 17, relating to

36 *By replacing line 80 with the following:*

37 **SECTION 3.**

38 This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law
39 without such approval.

40 **SECTION 4.**