

Senate Bill 425

By: Senators Harbin of the 16th, Summers of the 13th, Burns of the 23rd, Dickerson of the 21st, Hickman of the 4th and others

AS PASSED SENATE

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1 To amend Part 2 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia
2 Annotated, relating to competencies and core curriculum, so as to require all schools that
3 receive state funding with students in any of grades three through five to provide instruction
4 in cursive handwriting to all students by no later than third grade; to provide for related
5 matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 Part 2 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
9 relating to competencies and core curriculum, is amended by adding a new Code section to
10 read as follows:

11 "20-2-140.2.

12 All schools with students in any of grades three through five which receive in any manner
13 funds from the state shall provide instruction in cursive handwriting to students by no later
14 than third grade. Such instruction may be provided within the framework of existing
15 coursework offered by the school."

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SECTION 2.

17 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.