

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE BILL NO. 2429

102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE NURRENBERN.

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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To repeal section 167.061, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to compulsory school attendance, with a penalty provision.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 167.061, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 167.061, to read as follows:

167.061. Any parent, guardian or other person having charge, control or custody of a child, who violates the provisions of section 167.031 is guilty of ~~[a class C misdemeanor]~~ **an infraction**. Upon conviction and pending any judicial appeal, the defendant shall be required to enroll the child in a public, private, parochial, parish or home school within three public school days, after which each successive school day shall constitute a separate violation of section 167.031. The fine ~~[or imprisonment, or both,]~~ may be suspended and finally remitted by the court, with or without the payment of costs, at the discretion of the court, if the child is immediately placed and kept in regular attendance at a public, private, parochial, parish or home school and if the fact of regular attendance is proved subsequently to the satisfaction of the court. A certificate stating that the child is regularly attending a public, private, parochial or parish school and properly attested by the superintendent, principal or person in charge of the school is prima facie evidence of regular attendance by the child.

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EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets ~~[thus]~~ in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.