

# SENATE BILL NO. 1481

102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR GANNON.

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KRISTINA MARTIN, Secretary

## AN ACT

To amend chapter 160, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to public school policies regarding cellular phones.

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

Section A. Chapter 160, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto  
2 one new section, to be known as section 160.067, to read as  
3 follows:

160.067. 1. Every school district and charter school  
2 shall, by July 1, 2025, promulgate a written policy  
3 concerning student possession of a cellular phone while the  
4 student is on school property or in attendance at a school  
5 function and concerning student use of a cellular phone  
6 during instructional time.

7 2. The policy shall be applied in a consistent manner  
8 and may include, but shall not be limited to, any of the  
9 following provisions:

10 (1) Precluding or allowing student possession or use  
11 of a cellular phone while the student is on school property  
12 or in attendance at a school function;

13 (2) Allowing student possession or use of a cellular  
14 phone during instructional time as directed by a teacher  
15 solely for educational purposes; or

16 (3) Allowing teachers to designate an area for  
17 cellular phones during instructional time.

18           3. The policy may provide that a student who possesses  
19 or uses a cellular phone in contravention of school district  
20 or charter school policy may be subject to disciplinary  
21 action by the district or charter school.

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