

General Assembly

Raised Bill No. 57

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February Session, 2006

LCO No. 2424

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Referred to Committee on

EDUCATION

Introduced by: (ED)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE AGE FOR KINDERGARTEN.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 10-15c of the general statutes is
- 2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective July
- 3 1, 2006):
- 4 (a) The public schools shall be open to all children five years of age
- and over who reach age five on or before the first day of [January]

 September of any school year, and each such child shall have, and shall
- 7 be so advised by the appropriate school authorities, an equal
- 8 opportunity to participate in the activities, programs and courses of
- 9 study offered in such public schools, at such time as the child becomes
- 10 eligible to participate in such activities, programs and courses of study,
- 11 without discrimination on account of race, color, sex, religion, national
- 12 origin or sexual orientation; provided boards of education may, by
- 13 vote at a meeting duly called, admit to any school children under five
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14 years of age.

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This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following
sections:

Section 1 July 1, 2006 10-15c(a)

Statement of Purpose:

To require all kindergarten students to have reached age five by September first.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]