



SENATE BILL 156 – EARLY CHILDHOOD MUSIC EDUCATION INCENTIVE PILOT PROGRAM

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| BILL SPONSOR(S) | Senators Perry, Stewart, Diaz, Appropriations Committee and Education Committee |
| EFFECTIVE DATE(S) | July 1, 2020 |
| STATUTE(S) | Amends section 1003.481, Florida Statutes |

SUMMARY

Enhances student access to early childhood music education by extending the Early Childhood Music Education Incentive Pilot Program (pilot program) to June 30, 2022, and revises eligibility and evaluation requirements to encourage greater participation in districts and wider dissemination of findings.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Extends the scheduled expiration of the pilot program from June 30, 2020, to June 30, 2022.
- Allows districts to participate in the pilot program with only specified elementary schools having an established comprehensive music education program, rather than requiring a program in each elementary school.
- Evaluation of the pilot program will be a collaborative effort between the Florida International University School of Music and the University of Florida College of Education. Results from the evaluation will be shared with the Florida Center for Partnerships for Arts-Integrated Teaching.

GENERAL IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINE

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| JULY 1, 2020 | The bill becomes effective |
| JUNE 30, 2022 | Pilot program expires |