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LEGISLATIVE BILL 464

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Committee: Health and Human Services

A BILL

- FOR AN ACT relating to schools; to amend section 79-217,
 Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to require booster
 immunizations as prescribed for students entering seventh
 grade; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the
 original section.
- 6 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

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1 Section 1. Section 79-217, Reissue Revised Statutes of

- 2 Nebraska, is amended to read:
- 3 79-217 (1) Except as provided in sections 79-221
- 4 and 79-222, the school board or board of education of each
- 5 school district and the governing authority of each private,
- 6 denominational, or parochial school in this state shall require
- 7 each student to be protected against measles, mumps, rubella,
- 8 poliomyelitis, diphtheria, pertussis, and tetanus by immunization
- 9 prior to enrollment. Any student who does not comply with this
- 10 section shall not be permitted to continue in school until he or
- 11 she so complies, except as provided by section 79-222. Each school
- 12 district shall make diligent efforts to inform families prior to
- 13 the date of school registration of the immunization requirements
- 14 of this section.
- 15 (2) On and after July 1, 2010, every student entering
- 16 the seventh grade shall have a booster immunization containing
- 17 <u>diphtheria and tetanus toxoids and an acellular pertussis vaccine</u>
- 18 which meets the standards approved by the United States Public
- 19 Health Service for such biological products, as such standards
- 20 existed on January 1, 2009.
- 21 (3) Except as provided in the Childhood Vaccine Act,
- 22 the cost of such immunization immunizations shall be borne by the
- 23 parent or guardian of each student who is immunized or by the
- 24 Department of Health and Human Services for those students whose
- 25 parent or guardian is financially unable to meet such cost.

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1 Sec. 2. Original section 79-217, Reissue Revised Statutes

2 of Nebraska, is repealed.