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Brief Description: Changing truancy provisions.

**HB 1818 - DIGEST**

(SUBSTITUTED FOR - SEE 2ND SUB)

Declares that, if a parent enrolls a child six years of age and under eight years of age in the public school of the district in which the child resides, that parent has the responsibility to ensure the child attends for the full time when that school is in session, unless one of the exceptions in this act is met. This provision does not apply to a child enrolled in a public school part-time for the purpose of receiving ancillary services. An exception shall be made to this requirement for children whose parents formally remove them from enrollment in kindergarten.

Directs the superintendent of public instruction to provide, to the extent funds are appropriated, start-up grants for alternative programs and services that provide instruction and learning for truant, at-risk, and expelled students.