

SB 5141-S - DIGEST

(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 2/14/06)

Finds an urgent and substantial need to enhance the development of all infants and toddlers with disabilities in Washington in order to minimize developmental delays and to maximize individual potential for learning and functioning.

Requires that, by September 1, 2008, each school district shall provide or contract for early intervention services to all eligible children with disabilities from birth to three years of age. Eligibility shall be determined according to Part C of the federal individuals with disabilities education act and as specified in the Washington Administrative Code.

Declares that the services in this act are not part of the state's program of basic education pursuant to Article IX of the state Constitution.