

# FINAL BILL REPORT

## SB 5775

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Synopsis as Enacted

**Brief Description:** Changing special education provisions.

**Sponsors:** Senators Kauffman, Rasmussen, Zarelli, Berkey, Oemig, McAuliffe, Shin and Kohl-Welles.

**Senate Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education**  
**House Committee on Education**

**Background:** In 2004, the President signed the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act (IDEA) into law, re-authorizing the original IDEA and aligning it with the goals and purposes of No Child Left Behind. Part B of the law ensures that children between the ages of three and 21 receive special education and related services. Washington State's special education laws follow the federal laws closely.

**Summary:** Some of the language and terms in Washington State's special education laws are changed to better align with the federal IDEA.

**Votes on Final Passage:**

Senate	48	0
House	96	0

**Effective:** July 22, 2007  
September 1, 2009 (Section 9)