

SB 5864-S - DIGEST

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Provides that the superintendent of public instruction shall work with the department of early learning to develop kindergarten transition plans, which includes creating the format and content of the plans and developing training for using the plans.

Requires the plans to be developed for use, to the extent possible, beginning in September of 2007. The plans may initially be implemented in demonstration sites under the private-public partnership in RCW 43.215.070, in schools receiving state support for all-day kindergarten, and in primary-level demonstration projects.

Requires kindergarten transition plans to be implemented in public school districts across the state not later than the 2009-10 school year and shall also be available for voluntary use in child care, preschool, and other early learning programs.

Provides that, by December 31, 2008, the superintendent of public instruction, working with the department of early learning and the private-public partnership in RCW 43.215.070, shall report its findings and recommendations for statewide implementation to the education committees of the legislature.