By Senator Simmons

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24 393.063(23)(a); muscular dystrophy; Williams syndrome; <u>a</u> rare	
25 disease, a disorder that affects diseases which affect patient	
26 populations of fewer than 200,000 individuals <u>or fewer</u> in the	
27 United States, as defined by the Orphan Drug Act of 1983, Pub.	
28 L. No. 97-414 National Organization for Rare Disorders;	
29 anaphylaxis; deaf; visually impaired; traumatic brain injured;	

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30	hospital or homebound; or identification as dual sensory
31	impaired, as defined by rules of the State Board of Education
32	and evidenced by reports from local school districts. The term
33	"hospital or homebound" includes a student who has a medically
34	diagnosed physical or psychiatric condition or illness, as
35	defined by the state board in rule, and who is confined to the
36	home or hospital for more than 6 months.
37	Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2018.

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