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30	of certification, who are designated by the school principal.
31	(6) In addition to the requirements in subsection (3), each
32	district school board shall provide 100 minutes of supervised,
33	safe, and unstructured free-play recess each week for students
34	in kindergarten through grade 5 and for students in grade 6 who
35	are enrolled in a school that contains one or more elementary
36	grades so that there are at least 20 consecutive minutes of
37	free-play recess per day. Free-play recess may not be withheld
38	for academic or punitive reasons.
39	Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016.

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