

A BILL

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Councilmember Kwame R. Brown, introduced the following bill, which was referred to the _____.

To establish the “District of Columbia Creative Learning Program Act of 2008”. This Act would require that music, physical education and visual art programs are included in the weekly curriculum of all elementary schools within the District of Columbia Public School system.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the “District of Columbia Creative Learning Program Act of 2008”.

Sec. 2 Requirements of the State Board of Education.

The State Board of Education shall establish guidelines for Creative Learning program which shall include the following:

(1) Ensuring that all public elementary schools within the District of Columbia have a uniform curriculum; and

(2) Adopt substantive standards setting forth the content of the creative learning program that will be implemented in all public elementary schools within the District of Columbia.

Sec. 3 Implementation of the Creative Learning Program.

The Mayor shall implement the Creative Learning program by the 2008-09 school year.

Sec. 4 Inclusion in the budget and financial plan.

This act shall be subject to the inclusion of its fiscal effect in an approved Budget and Financial Plan.

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Sec. 5 Fiscal impact statement.

There will be a fiscal impact to implement this legislation.

Sec. 6 Effective Date.

This act shall take effect upon its approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), a 30-day period of Congressional review as provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813 D.C. Code § 1-233(c)(1)), and publication in the District of Columbia Register.