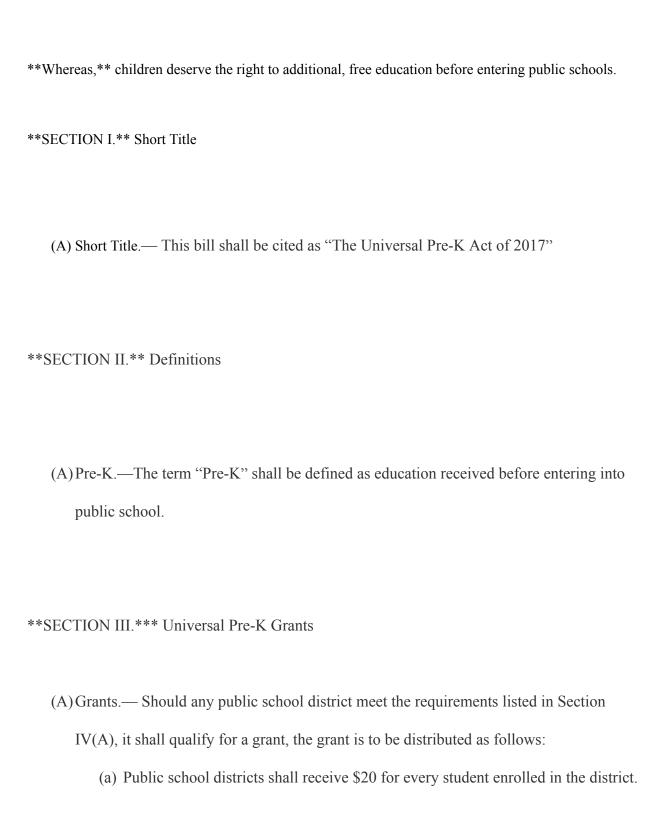
## Universal Pre-K Act



- (b) Public school districts shall receive \$24 for every student enrolled in the Pre-K program.
- (c) These grants shall be distributed to qualifying school districts every two years, during the month of July.
- (C) Title.— This program shall be cited as "The Universal Pre-K Grant Program" (UPGP)
- \*\*SECTION IV.\*\* Further Requirements Registration of Students
  - (A) Requirements.— All public school districts within the Atlantic Commonwealth that offer a Pre-K program at no cost to the enrollees or their parents/guardians shall qualify for grants. Further requirements for the Pre-K system is as follows:
    - (a) The program must operate at no payment to the enrollees parents or guardians.
    - (b) Students enrolled in this program must be enrolled in this program before entering public primary schools.
    - (c) The program has over 30 students registered in it.
    - (d) Teachers teaching in the public school system who volunteer to instruct students in this program are compensated an additional \$40 per student they instruct in said program annually.
    - (e) Teachers who volunteer may teach a maximum of 25 students.

- (B) Eligibility.— All children between the ages of 3-5 years old that have not entered public primary school, may be enrolled into this program.
- (C) Record Keeping.— All districts must collect records of students enrolled in this program.

  The Department of Education is to use these records to distribute grants.
- (D) Registration of Students.— Students may be enrolled in this program by their parents or guardians. Districts are responsible for the enrollment of students in this program.

## \*\*SECTION V.\*\* Payment

- (A) Assisted Funding of Universal Pre-K.— The Department of Education shall allocate up to no less than 15% and up to 50% of its appropriated funds to assist public school districts in the following.—
  - (a) Paying up to 20% of the salary of instructors in this program, should the school district have less than 4,000 students enrolled in it.
  - (b) Paying up to 40% of the cost to transport students to and from the Pre-K program.

\*\*SECTION VI.\*\* Funding

| (A) Appropriations.— The Department of Education is hereby appropriated \$200,000,000 to |
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| distribute these grants and to assist public school districts as described in Section V. |
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| **SECTION VII.** Enactment   |

- (A) \*\*Enactment\*\*.—This bill shall take effect 30 days after its passage into law.
- (B) \*\*Severability\*\*.—If any part of this act is declared invalid or unconstitutional, that declaration shall have no effect on the parts which remain.

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