

CHAPTER 186.

[ S. B. 296. ]

EDUCATION—SPECIAL SERVICES FOR HANDICAPPED CHILDREN.

AN ACT relating to education; authorizing the extension of special services for handicapped children and providing support for such extended programs.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:*

Special programs for handicapped children of pre-school age.

Financing of programs.

Minimum age of children.

SECTION 1. Special educational and training programs provided by the state and the school districts thereof for children temporarily or permanently retarded in normal educational processes by reason of defective hearing, defective sight, defective speech, cerebral palsy, and other physical handicaps, may be extended to include children of pre-school age. School districts which extend such special programs, as provided in this section, shall be entitled to apportionments from state and county school funds, as provided by law for regular school attendance and educational units, and to allocations from state funds made available for such special services, for handicapped children three or more years of age who are given such special services.

Passed the Senate March 2, 1949.

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Approved by the Governor March 19, 1949.