

State Laws Related to Dyslexia

as of May 2014



State	Code	Purpose
AL	none	
AK	none	
AZ	none	
AR	none	
CA	CA Education Code Section 56333–56338	Students with dyslexia who do not qualify for SLD receive services in the classroom
	Education Code Section 56240–56245	Encourages education of teachers
	Education Code Section 52853	Schools to develop programs for training in dyslexia intervention
	Education Code Section 44227.7:	Higher education encouraged to provide teacher training for dyslexia and related disorders
CO	SB 245	
CT	HB 115	Books on tape for classrooms with students with dyslexia
DE	none	
FL	HB 1329 (2011)	Scholarships for students with disabilities, including dyslexia
GA	none	
HI	SB 2217 (2010)	Promotes awareness of dyslexia, assessment and identification, remedial curriculum, progress monitoring, interventions, and training
	SCR 110–HCR 129 (2010)	Establishment of a working group to develop a comprehensive plan to improve awareness of and strengthen support for persons with dyslexia
IA	SF2319 (2014)	Subject to funding provides for curriculum strategies to address literacy issue including dyslexia
ID	none	
IL	none	
IN	none	
KS	HB 5015 (2008)	Early screening; review level and pace of implementation of best practices of instruction; review teacher preparation courses; submit a progress report by December 31, 2009
KY	HB 69 (2012)	Early Education Assessment and Intervention; create a new section of KRS Chapter 158 to define “aphasia,” “dyscalculia,” “dysgraphia,” “dyslexia,” “phonemic awareness,” and “scientifically based research”; require the Kentucky Board of Education to promulgate administrative regulations to implement district-wide use of K–3 response-to-intervention system in reading
LA	R.S. 17:7(11)	Identification and services within the regular education program for students demonstrating characteristics of dyslexia; assessment, intervention, and accommodations
	SCR 62 (2010)	Dyslexia regulations; requests study and review of the clarity of board regulations and guidelines relative to the education of dyslexic students and the effectiveness of procedures for monitoring the compliance of public schools and school districts when implementing such regulations and related state law



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MA	HB 3680 (2011)	Requires teachers to get training in disorders including dyslexia
	Mass. Gen. Laws ch. 15A, § 30, 1983	Waiver of college exams to students with dyslexia
MI	none	
MN	none	
MS	Amendment to 37-23-15, Mississippi Code Of 1972 (1997)	Pilot programs for testing certain students for dyslexia
	HB 1494	Funds for educator training, including dyslexia
	HB 1031 (2012)	Allows students enrolled in schools that do not have dyslexia programs to transfer to a different school or district universal K-1 screening required
MO	none	
MT	none	
NE	none	
NV	Section 1–Chapter 388 of NRS (1984)	School districts to establish reading programs
NH	none	
NJ	AB 811 (2010)	Provides for instruction in dyslexia awareness and methods of teaching students with dyslexia for candidates for teaching certificates and current teachers and paraprofessionals
	S2439	Incorporates the IDA definition of dyslexia, requires two hours of training for teachers on screening and requires screening by the first grade.
NM	HB 230 (2010)	Interventions for students with signs of dyslexia required
NY	none	
NC	none	
ND	none	
OH	HB 96 (2011–2012)	Pilot program for dyslexia screening
	HB 157 (2011)	Educational service centers to provide teacher professional development on dyslexia; "dyslexia specialist" to provide training for K–4 teachers in school districts and other public schools
OK	HB 1997 (2011)	Dyslexia screening
	HB 3073 (2012)	Dyslexia training pilot program
OR		
PA	HB 322 (1985–1986)	Waives college entrance exams
RI	none	
SC	SB 241 (2011)	Create the South Carolina dyslexia taskforce
SD	none	
TN	HB 1735	Incorporated the IDA definition of dyslexia; includes dyslexia among the in-service training topics available to teachers and instructs department of education to collaborate with institutions of higher education to formally address dyslexia.



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TX	SB 867 (2011)	Adult testing accommodations for a person with dyslexia taking a licensing examination administered by a state agency
	SB 866 (2011)	Education of public school students with dyslexia, the education and training of educators who teach students with dyslexia, and the assessment of students with dyslexia attending an institution of higher education
	Texas Education Code (TEC) § 38.003	Screening and treatment
	Texas Education Code § 28.006	Diagnose reading in K–2
	Texas Education Code § 7.028(b)	Compliance with dyslexia law
	Texas Administrative Code § 74.28	Districts to provide procedures for identification; Adherence to dyslexia handbook; purchase program for students w/dyslexia
	Texas Occupations Code Chapter 403	Licensed dyslexia practitioners and therapists
UT	none	
VT	none	
VA	SJR 87 (2010)	Pilot study for screening in kindergarten
WA	SB 6016 (2009–2010)	Funds pilot projects to develop educator training programs and develop a handbook
WV	none	
WI	none	
WY	SB 39 (2012)	Dyslexia screening and intervention as early as possible in K–3