Synopsis of Senate Amendments

1. Changes program from a pilot program to a program operating continuously.
2. Changes proposed law regarding DOE reporting to the legislature from requiring annual reports to requiring one report.

Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate

Adverse childhood experience family outreach

Present law defines "adverse childhood experiences" and "trauma-informed education" in the context of school employees and best practices for schools and classrooms. Proposed law changes term "trauma-informed education" to "adverse childhood experience education" and adds "adverse childhood education family outreach" to the definitions. Further requires the state Dept. of Education (DOE) to report by Jan. 31, 2023, relative to efforts to integrate such concepts and practices into schools.

Early Childhood Education

Proposed law requires DOE to create and implement programs integrating adverse childhood experience education and adverse childhood experience family outreach into early childhood education. Further requires DOE to report by Jan. 31, 2023, relative to the implementation of the programs.

(Amends R.S. 17:437.2(A)(2), (B), (C)(3), and (D); Adds R.S. 17:407.22.1 and 437.2(A)(3) and (E))