

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 699 (HB 1079)

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Existing law requires a charter school to enroll an eligible pupil who is eligible under the residency requirements established in the charter and who submits a timely application unless the total number of eligible applicants exceeds the capacity of a program, class, grade level, or school, in which case the charter school shall conduct an admissions lottery.

Existing law authorizes a charter school to give enrollment preference to certain students.

New law further authorizes a charter school to give enrollment preference to the following students:

- (1) A student entering kindergarten who attended a licensed early learning center operated by the charter school or a licensed early learning center not operated by the charter school if the student attended the center for at least 75 days and the charter school and the center have an enrollment articulation agreement.
- (2) A student who has a parent in active military service.
- (3) A student who is in foster care.
- (4) A student who is the subject of a court-ordered custody plan.

New law excludes a charter school from the authorization to provide new law enrollment preferences if the school is in a school district where the majority of schools were transferred from the local district to the Recovery School District.

Effective August 1, 2026.

(Adds R.S. 17:3991(C)(1)(c)(vii))