

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 394 (SB 233)

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Prior law required the State Bd. of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) to provide for a statewide school and district accountability system.

Prior law required BESE to develop and implement a process to certify foreign language immersion programs.

New law, for a school that establishes, maintains, or expands a foreign language immersion program or proceeds to earn or maintain certification of a foreign language immersion program or that establishes, maintains, or expands any other program BESE deems appropriate, requires BESE to include a component in the school and district accountability system to annually award points to the school's annual performance score.

New law provides that the number of points awarded will be subject to approval by BESE and in accordance with federal law.

New law provides that BESE cannot prohibit a school from annually earning points in the school and district accountability system for maintaining a program that meets performance and quality standards established by the state board.

New law requires BESE to promulgate rules and regulations to implement the provisions of new law.

Effective upon signature of the governor (June 23, 2017).

(Adds R.S. 17:10.1(G))