



1           THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana hereby creates  
2 the Task Force on Teacher Shortages to research strategies to overcome the state's teacher  
3 shortage challenge and secure a stronger educator workforce.

4           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force shall be composed of the  
5 following members:

6           (1) The chairman of the House Committee on Education.

7           (2) The chairman of the Senate Committee on Education.

8           (3) The superintendent of the Caddo Parish School District or his designee.

9           (4) The superintendent of the Caldwell Parish School District or his designee.

10          (5) The superintendent of the Cameron Parish School District or his designee.

11          (6) The superintendent of the East Baton Rouge Parish School District or his  
12 designee.

13          (7) The superintendent of the Terrebonne Parish School District or his designee.

14          (8) The superintendent of the Recovery School District or his designee.

15          (9) A representative of the Associated Professional Educators of Louisiana  
16 designated by the governing authority of the association.

17          (10) A representative of the Louisiana Association of Colleges of Teacher Education  
18 designated by the governing authority of the association.

19          (11) A representative of the Louisiana Association of Educators designated by the  
20 governing authority of the association.

21          (12) A representative of the Louisiana Association of Principals designated by the  
22 governing authority of the association.

23          (13) A representative of the Louisiana Association of Public Charter Schools  
24 designated by the governing authority of the association.

25          (14) A representative of the Louisiana Association of School Counselors designated  
26 by the governing authority of the association.

27          (15) A representative of the Louisiana Association of School Superintendents  
28 designated by the governing authority of the association.

29          (16) A representative of the Louisiana Department of Education designated by the  
30 state superintendent of education.

1           (17) A representative of the Louisiana Educator Preparation Research Consortium  
2 designated by the governing authority of the consortium.

3           (18) A representative of the Louisiana Federation of Teachers designated by the  
4 governing authority of the federation.

5           (19) A representative of the Louisiana State Association of School Personnel  
6 Administrators designated by the governing authority of the association.

7           (20) The Louisiana Department of Education 2018 Teacher of the Year.

8           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the state superintendent of education shall be  
9 responsible for designating state Department of Education staff to assist the task force in  
10 performing its duties and, by August 1, 2018, convening the task force for its first meeting,  
11 at which the task force shall adopt rules of procedure, a work schedule, and any additional  
12 measures that it deems necessary for the timely performance of its duties, including selection  
13 of officers.

14           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force shall submit a written report of  
15 findings and recommendations to the House Committee on Education, the Senate Committee  
16 on Education, and the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education not later than  
17 December 31, 2018 and that such recommendations shall include but not be limited to those  
18 relative to the following:

19           (1) Information about areas in which teacher shortages exist in Louisiana, as  
20 determined by the state Board of Elementary and Secondary Education, including but not  
21 limited to subject area, grade level, and geographic area.

22           (2) Recommendations relative to retention of the educator workforce in Louisiana  
23 including any areas in which shortages exist.

24           (3) Information about what other states are doing relative to the hiring, preparation,  
25 recruitment, and retention of teachers.

26           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the  
27 entities named in this Resolution to serve or be represented on the task force.

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DIGEST

The digest printed below was prepared by House Legislative Services. It constitutes no part of the legislative instrument. The keyword, one-liner, abstract, and digest do not constitute part of the law or proof or indicia of legislative intent. [R.S. 1:13(B) and 24:177(E)]

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Creates the Task Force on Teacher Shortages to study strategies and best procedures by which the state and individual school districts can secure a stronger educator workforce. Provides for a written report of findings and recommendations to state Bd. of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) and the House and Senate education committees not later than Dec. 31, 2018.

Provides that the task force shall have 20 members who shall serve without compensation:

- (1) The chairman of the House Committee on Education.
- (2) The chairman of the Senate Committee on Education.
- (3) The superintendent of the following school districts or their designees: Caddo, Caldwell, Cameron, East Baton Rouge, and Terrebonne.
- (4) The superintendent of the Recovery School District or his designee.
- (5) A representative of each of the following organizations designated by the governing authority of each:
  - (a) The Associated Professional Educators of La.
  - (b) The La. Assoc. of Colleges of Teacher Education.
  - (c) The La. Assoc. of Educators.
  - (d) The La. Assoc. of Principals.
  - (e) The La. Assoc. of Public School Charters.
  - (f) The La. Assoc. of School Counselors.
  - (g) The La. Assoc. of School Superintendents.
  - (h) The La. Educator Preparation Research Consortium.
  - (i) The La. Federation of Teachers.
  - (j) The La. State Assoc. of School Principal Administrators.
- (6) A representative of the La. Dept. of Education designated by the state superintendent of education.
- (7) The La. Dept. of Education 2018 Teacher of the Year.

Provides that the state superintendent of education shall designate staff to assist the task force. Provides that the task force shall submit to BESE and the House and Senate education committees a written report of findings and recommendations, including but not limited to:

- (1) Areas in which teacher shortages exist in La., as determined by the state Bd. of Elementary and Secondary Education including but not limited to subject area, grade level, and geographic area.
- (2) Recommendations relative to retention of the educator workforce in La. including any areas in which shortages exist.
- (3) Information about what other states are doing relative to the hiring, preparation, recruitment, and retention of teachers.