

2018 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 509

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1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 17:10.1(F)(3) and to enact R.S. 17:10.1(H), relative to school
3 and district accountability; to provide relative to graduation rate criteria for
4 recognition of certain high-performing schools; to provide for a public presentation
5 of a school's academic improvement plan; to require the state Department of
6 Education to publish a list of schools with such plans; and to provide for related
7 matters.

8 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

9 Section 1. R.S. 17:10.1(F)(3) is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 17:10.1(H)
10 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

11 §10.1. School and district accountability system; purpose; responsibilities of state
12 board

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14 F. In addition to any other performance-related labels or designations
15 assigned to public schools and school districts pursuant to the school and district
16 accountability system, the state board, in consultation with parents, teachers, school
17 administrators, and other education stakeholders, shall develop a letter grade system
18 reflective of school and district performance that shall include but not necessarily be
19 limited to the following:

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21 (3) Creation of an honor roll which recognizes all high-performing schools
22 and high schools with exemplary graduation rates ~~that exceed the state average as~~
23 determined by the state board, which shall also be made public when information
24 relative to school and district performance scores and letter grades are released.

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1 H.(1) The superintendent, school principal, or other school leader, or his
 2 designee, of a public school that is required pursuant to rules adopted by the state
 3 board to develop an academic improvement plan shall, within sixty days of approval
 4 of such plan by the state Department of Education, make a presentation on the
 5 approved plan during at least one public meeting held at the applicable school.
 6 Notice of the meeting shall be provided to the parent or legal guardian of each
 7 student enrolled in the school at least one week prior to the date of the meeting.

8 (2) The presentation shall include:

9 (a) The school and student performance data that caused the department to
 10 identify the school as being in need of improvement.

11 (b) A detailed overview of the improvement plan.

12 (c) Timelines for implementation of the plan and attainment of performance
 13 goals.

14 (d) Implications of the plan for students, families, and educators.

15 (3) The superintendent, school principal, or other school leader, or his
 16 designee, shall present an annual update, in the manner provided in Paragraph (2) of
 17 this Subsection, until such time as the state department no longer requires the school
 18 to have an academic improvement plan.

19 (4) The department shall annually publish a list of schools with such plans
 20 on its website.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____