

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 292 (HB 655)

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Existing law provides for the selection of local superintendents by public school boards. New law authorizes school boards to select an interim superintendent if the superintendent dies, resigns, is terminated, or is placed on administrative leave. Prohibits the employment of an interim superintended for more than six months in a 12 month period unless the appointment is made in the final year of the terms of a majority of school board members.

New law authorizes a school board to place its superintendent on paid administrative leave for not more than three months in a six month period:

- (1) For the purpose of investigating cause for termination.
- (2) During the final three months of the term of his contract when the school board has voted not to extend a new contract offer.
- (3) At a time as agreed by the superintendent.
- (4) At a time as provided for in his contract.

New law provides that an interim superintendent has the same authority as a superintendent except that if the superintendent is on paid administrative leave in accordance with (2) above, the interim superintendent may not exercise, without school board approval, the authority to hire and place all school personnel.

Effective Aug. 1, 2020.

(Amends R.S. 17:81(A)(3); Adds R.S. 17:54(B)(4) and (D))