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## DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Provides relative to the Steve Carter Literacy Program.

Present law creates a literacy program for certain public school students in kindergarten through the 5th grade.

Present law requires the Dept. of Education (DOE) to administer the program pursuant to rules and regulations adopted by the State Bd. of Elementary and Secondary Education. Further requires DOE to:

- (1) Develop an application process and accept applications for both students and service providers.
- (2) Evaluate students and service providers for eligibility.
- (3) Remit payments to service providers for services rendered.
- (4) Evaluate program provider effectiveness through participants' La. Educational Assessment Program assessment scores and literacy assessment results.
- (5) Notify public school governing authorities about the program and the application process.
- (6) Annually report to the House and Senate education committees regarding the program.

Proposed law additionally requires DOE to:

- (1) Establish and implement training requirements for service providers.
- (2) Remit payments to such providers after students fail to attend a tutoring session with less than 24 hours' notice.

(Amends R.S. 17:4032.1(D))