

## RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

**ACT 346 (HB 315)**

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Existing law (R.S. 17:264) authorizes the State Bd. of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) to establish a "Distinction for Community Service" diploma endorsement program for high school students who perform community service. New law prohibits the following:

- (1) Students from receiving academic credit for community service.
- (2) Political activity from qualifying as community service for purposes of existing law.

Existing law (R.S. 17:351.1) provides relative to public review of textbooks. Requires that student editions of textbooks be made available online. New law requires all editions of textbooks be made available online and in-person.

Existing law (R.S. 17:381) authorizes BESE and school boards to accept donations for educational and literary purposes. New law requires such boards to make details of such donations available on their websites.

New law (R.S. 17:1942.1) requires BESE to submit an annual report to the legislative education committees relative to school district compliance with special education requirements. Requires BESE to post the report on its website.

Effective August 1, 2023.

(Amends R.S. 17:264(A)(1), 351.1(B)(3)(d)(i), and 381; Adds R.S. 17:264(C) and 1942.1)