

2024 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 239

BY REPRESENTATIVE WYBLE

EDUCATION: Requests that the state Department of Education create a task force to research family and parent engagement in education and to submit a written report to the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education and the House Education Committee by December 31, 2025

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To urge and request the state Department of Education to create a task force to research and
3 make recommendations relative to parent and family engagement in education and
4 to submit a written report to the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education
5 and the House Committee on Education by December 31, 2025.

6 WHEREAS, research has shown that meaningful engagement by parents and other
7 family members in a child's education positively impacts his educational outcomes; and

8 WHEREAS, it is appropriate to convene a diverse group of stakeholders to discuss
9 best practices in fostering the engagement of parents and families in the education of
10 Louisiana's children.

11 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
12 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request the state Department of Education to
13 create a task force to study and make recommendations relative to parent and family
14 engagement in education.

15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in conducting this study, the task force shall:

16 (1) Engage with state and national stakeholders and providers to identify research
17 on best practices relative to effective strategies for increasing parent and family engagement
18 in education.

1 (2) Make recommendations on increasing high quality, effective parent and family
2 engagement in education to improve academic outcomes with an emphasis on private-public
3 partnerships.

4 (3) Explore any other considerations with respect to parent and family engagement
5 as determined by the task force.

6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the membership of the task force shall be as
7 follows:

8 (1) A representative of the state Department of Education selected by the state
9 superintendent of education.

10 (2) A representative of the Louisiana Department of Health selected by the secretary.

11 (3) A representative of the Governor's Office of Programs and Planning selected by
12 the governor.

13 (4) A representative of the Center for Literacy and Learning selected by the chief
14 executive officer.

15 (5) A representative of the Louisiana Association of School Superintendents selected
16 by the executive director.

17 (6) A representative of the United Way of Southeast Louisiana selected by the
18 president.

19 (7) Three representatives of the Louisiana Association of United Ways selected by
20 the chair of the board of directors.

21 (8) A representative of the Louisiana Parent Teacher Association selected by the
22 president.

23 (9) A representative of the Louisiana Partnership for Children and Families selected
24 by the executive director.

25 (10) A representative of Families Helping Families selected by the executive
26 director.

27 (11) A representative of the Louisiana School Boards Association selected by the
28 executive director.

29 (12) A representative of the Louisiana Association of Public Charter Schools
30 selected by the executive director.

1 (13) A representative of Louisiana CASA selected by the executive director.

2 (14) A representative of Decoding Dyslexia selected by the leader.

3 (15) A representative of Girls on the Run South Louisiana selected by the executive
4 director.

5 (16) A representative of the Pelican Institute selected by the chief executive officer.

6 (17) A representative of the Louisiana Association Business and Industry selected
7 by the president.

8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the state superintendent of education shall be
9 responsible for designating state Department of Education staff members to assist the task
10 force in performing its duties.

11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the superintendent's appointee to the task force
12 shall call the first meeting, which shall be held not later than August 31, 2024, and at which
13 the task force may select a chair from among its membership and adopt rules of procedure,
14 a work schedule, and any additional measures that it deems necessary.

15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of the task force shall serve
16 without compensation, that a vacancy shall be filled in the manner of the original
17 appointment, that a majority of the members of the task force shall constitute a quorum for
18 the transaction of business, and that the task force shall be domiciled in Baton Rouge but
19 may hold meetings elsewhere in the state.

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force shall submit a written report of
21 its findings and recommendations to the State Board of Elementary and Secondary
22 Education and the House Committee on Education not later than December 31, 2025, upon
23 which date the task force terminates.

DIGEST

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Requests that the state Dept. of Education (DOE) create a task force to research and make recommendations relative to parent and family engagement in education and to submit a written report to the State Bd. of Elementary and Secondary Education and the House education committee by Dec. 31, 2025, on which date the task force terminates. Provides for 19 members serving without compensation, for the state superintendent's appointee to

the task force to call the first meeting by Aug. 31, 2024, and for DOE to provide staff support to the task force.

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Education to the original resolution:

1. Increase membership from 17 to 19.