

2026 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 661

BY REPRESENTATIVE FONTENOT

ETHICS/NEPOTISM: Provides an exception for hiring the immediate family member of a school board member or superintendent for certain positions

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 42:1119(B)(2)(a)(vii) and (viii), relative to nepotism; to provide an exception
3 for a local school board to hire an immediate family member of a board member or
4 the superintendent as a custodian or paraprofessional under certain circumstances;
5 and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 42:1119(B)(2)(a)(vii) and (viii) are hereby enacted to read as
8 follows:

9 §1119. Nepotism

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11 B.

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13 (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of Paragraph (1) of this Subsection:

14 (a)

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16 (vii) Any local school board may employ an immediate family member of
17 any board member or of the superintendent as a paraprofessional provided the family
18 member meets the required criteria of a paraprofessional. Any school board member
19 or superintendent whose immediate family member is employed by the school board
20 shall recuse himself from any decision involving the promotion or assignment of
21 such employee.

