

Regular Session, 2008

HOUSE BILL NO. 305

BY REPRESENTATIVE AUSTIN BADON

SCHOOLS/LOCAL SUPERINTDT: Removes exception for Orleans Parish relative to requirements that a local public school superintendent serve as the treasurer of certain school funds and perform specified duties related thereto

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 17:95, to provide relative to requirements that the superintendent
3 of a city, parish, or other local public school board serve as the treasurer of certain
4 school funds and perform specified duties; to remove the exception applicable to
5 Orleans Parish; to provide an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

6 Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published
7 as provided by Article III, Section 13 of the Constitution of
8 Louisiana.

9 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

10 Section 1. R.S. 17:95 is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

11 §95. Superintendents as treasurers of school funds

12 The superintendent of ~~the public schools in every parish, the parish of~~
13 ~~Orleans excepted;~~ a city, parish, or other local public school board shall be the
14 treasurer of all school funds appropriated by the state ~~in such parish;~~ for the school
15 board, or raised, collected, or donated ~~therein;~~ for the support of the public schools
16 under the jurisdiction of the board; he shall ~~receipt~~ provide receipts for all such funds
17 to the treasurer of the state, ~~and to the collector of parish taxes,~~ and others as may be
18 appropriate or required. The ~~parish~~ school treasurer shall give an indemnity bond in
19 such sum as may be determined by the ~~parish~~ school board, made in favor of the
20 governor or his successors in office, and the ~~parish~~ school board shall pay the

1 premium of said bond. The superintendent ~~of public schools~~ shall receive no
2 compensation whatever for his services as school treasurer. The treasurer shall
3 deposit the school funds in such bank or banks as may be designated by the ~~parish~~
4 school board under the provisions of the law.

5 Section 2. This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2008; if vetoed by the governor
6 and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become effective on July 1,
7 2008, or on the day following such approval by the legislature, whichever is later.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Removes exception for Orleans Parish relative to requirements that a local public school superintendent serve as the treasurer of certain school funds and perform specified duties related thereto.

Present law provides that the superintendent of public schools in every parish, Orleans Parish excepted, shall be the treasurer of all school funds appropriated by the state in such parish, or raised, collected, or donated therein, for the support of the public schools. Further provides that the superintendent shall provide receipts for all such funds to the state treasurer and to the collector of parish taxes.

Proposed law provides instead that the superintendent of a city, parish, or other local public school board shall be the treasurer of all school funds appropriated by the state for the school board or raised, collected, or donated for the support of the public schools under the jurisdiction of the board. Further provides that the superintendent shall provide receipts for all such funds to the state treasurer, the collector of parish taxes, and others as may be appropriate or required. Also removes the exception for Orleans Parish.

Present law requires that the parish school treasurer give an indemnity bond in such sum as may be determined by the parish school board, made in favor of the governor or his successors in office. Provides that the parish school board shall pay the premium of said bond.

Proposed law retains present law except refers to the school treasurer rather than the parish school treasurer and refers to the school board rather than the parish school board.

Present law specifies that the superintendent shall receive no compensation whatever for his services as school treasurer. Also requires the treasurer to deposit the school funds in such bank or banks as may be designated by the parish school board under the provisions of law.

Proposed law retains present law except refers to the school board rather than the parish school board.

Effective July 1, 2008.

(Amends R.S. 17:95)