
DIGEST

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HB No. 129

Abstract: Prohibits a charter school from contracting or otherwise entering into an agreement with a for-profit entity to manage or operate the school.

Present law (R.S. 17:3997(A)(1)(b)) grants the nonprofit organization that establishes a charter school exclusive authority over school employment decisions. Proposed law retains present law.

Present law authorizes the nonprofit organization, as provided in the charter, to contract with a for-profit organization to manage the charter school and to delegate to the for-profit organization authority over employment decisions, such delegation to be specified in a service provider agreement. Proposed law removes present law.

Proposed law (R.S. 17:3991(E)(6)) prohibits a charter school from entering into a contract or agreement with a for-profit entity to manage or operate a charter school. Provides that any such contract or agreement entered into prior to July 1, 2014, shall terminate on June 30, 2015, unless otherwise terminated prior to such date.

Present law (R.S. 17:1990(B)(2)(a)), relative to the Recovery School District, provides that the district may contract with for-profit providers for the general operation of and any needed services for a school under its jurisdiction. Proposed law specifies that present law is subject to proposed law that prohibits a charter school from contracting for management or operation of a school with a for-profit entity.

Effective July 1, 2014.

(Amends R.S. 17:1990(B)(2)(a) and 3997(A)(1)(b); Adds R.S. 17:3991(E)(6))