

2016 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 126

BY REPRESENTATIVE SMITH

SCHOOLS/CHOICE: Provides relative to eligibility of kindergarten students for participation in the voucher program

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 17:4013(2)(a), relative to the Student Scholarships for
3 Educational Excellence Program; to provide with respect to eligibility of entering
4 kindergarten students in the voucher program; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 17:4013(2)(a) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §4013. Definitions

8 As used in this Chapter, unless otherwise clearly indicated, the following
9 terms mean:

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11 (2) "Eligible student" means a student who resides in Louisiana, is a member
12 of a family with a total income that does not exceed two hundred fifty percent of the
13 current federal poverty guidelines as established by the federal office of management
14 and budget, and who meets any one of the following criteria:

15 (a) Is entering kindergarten in a school system that assigns students to
16 schools based upon attendance zones and ~~has enrolled in the local school system in~~
17 ~~which~~ the public school he would have otherwise attended ~~is located~~ received a letter
18 grade of "D" or "F" or any variation thereof for the most recent year pursuant to the
19 school and district accountability system, or the student is entering kindergarten in
20 a school or school system that does not assign students to schools based upon

