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Abstract: Provides relative to public school choice.

Present law provides for public school choice. Provides that, beginning with the 2014-2015 school year, the parent or other legal guardian of any student may enroll his child in the public school of his choice, without regard to residence, school system geographic boundaries, or attendance zones, provided both of the following apply:

- (1) The public school in which the student was most recently enrolled, or would otherwise attend, received a school performance letter grade of "D" or "F" for the most recent school year, pursuant to the state's school and district accountability system.
- (2) The school in which the student seeks to enroll received a school performance letter grade of "A", "B," or "C" for the most recent school year, pursuant to the state's school and district accountability system, and has sufficient capacity at the appropriate grade level.

Proposed law changes (2) so that capacity will be as provided by rules promulgated by the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education in accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act.

Present law requires the governing authority of each public elementary and secondary school to work collaboratively and cooperatively to ensure compliance with present law to adopt a policy to govern student transfers authorized by present law. Proposed law requires that such policy be adopted and posted to the school governing authority's website no later than Sept. 30, 2017.

(Amends R.S. 17:4035.1(A)(2) and (E)(1))