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2018 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 105

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BY REPRESENTATIVE STOKES

SCHOOLS/CHARTER: Allows certain Type 1 charter schools to act as their own local education agencies

AN ACT

2	To amend and reenact R.S. 17:3995(I), relative to charter school funding; to authorize
3	certain Type 1 charter schools to act as their own local education agencies for
4	funding purposes and statutory definitions; to provide conditions; to provide for
5	effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.
6	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
7	Section 1. R.S. 17:3995(I) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:
8	§3995. Charter school funding
9	* * *
10	I. The local school board shall remain the local education agency for any
11	Type 1, 3, or 4 charter school, unless the except as follows:
12	(1) A charter school is authorized to may act as its own local education
13	agency; pursuant to R.S. 17:10.7.1.
14	(2) A Type 1 charter school may act as its own local education agency for
15	funding purposes and statutory definitions pursuant to rules adopted by the state
16	board if all of the following conditions apply:
17	(a) The school's first year of operation was the 2013-2014 school year.
18	(b) The school conducted an admissions lottery pursuant to R.S. 17:3991 for
19	the 2017-2018 school year.

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1	(c) The school enrolled students in prekindergarten through grade ten for the
2	2017-2018 school year.
3	(d) The school received a letter grade of "A" or "B" or any variation thereof,
4	pursuant to the school and district accountability system for the 2014-2015, 2015-
5	2016, and 2016-2017 school years.
6	* * *
7	Section 2. This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2018; if vetoed by the governor
8	and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become effective on July 1,
9	2018, or on the day following such approval by the legislature, whichever is later.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Allows certain Type 1 charter schools to act as their own local education agencies for funding purposes.

<u>Present law</u> relative to charter school funding, provides that local school boards shall remain the local education agencies for types 1, 3, and 4 charter schools except for charter schools authorized to act as their own local education agencies as provided in <u>present law</u> (R.S. 17:10.7.1 - limited to certain school systems). Provides that types 2 and 5 charter schools shall be considered the local education agencies for purposes of funding and statutory definitions pursuant to rules adopted by the State Bd. of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE).

<u>Proposed law</u> adds an exception for any Type 1 charter school that meets specified criteria to act as its own local education agency pursuant to rules adopted by BESE. Otherwise retains <u>present law</u>.

<u>Present law</u> defines a Type 1 charter school as a new school operated pursuant to a charter between the nonprofit corporation created to operate the school and a local school board.

Effective July 1, 2018.

(Amends R.S. 17:3995(I))