

HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS**HB 80****2020 Second Extraordinary Session****Charles Owen**

STUDENT/ASSESSMENT: Provides relative to the use of student assessment results for the 2020-2021 school year with respect to school and district accountability (Item #42)

Synopsis of Senate Amendments	
1.	Remove <u>proposed law</u> limitation on the use of assessment results for purposes of teacher evaluation and student promotion.

Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate

Present law provides for standards-based assessments of public school students for required subjects. Provides for the use of assessment results as a measure of student growth for various purposes, including the school and district accountability system, through which the State Bd. of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) calculates school and district performance scores and assigns letter grades based on such scores. Proposed law, for the 2020-2021 school year, requires BESE to examine results and school-level test data and make such allowances in calculating performance scores as it deems necessary and appropriate and provides the following:

- (1) Requires the state superintendent to report to the education committees relative to results by May 30, 2021.
- (2) Requires BESE to prepare a petition to U.S. Dept. of Education for a waiver relative to issuing letter grades and submit it if the state superintendent deems that such issuance would be detrimental to the state.
- (3) Requires BESE and the superintendent to present a report to the education committees regarding this decision by June 15, 2021.

Proposed law also repeals obsolete present law relative to assessments.

(Adds R.S. 17:24.4(F)(1)(i); Repeals R.S. 17:24.4(F)(1)(g) and (h) and (2))