

2021 Regular Session

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 22

BY REPRESENTATIVE FREIBERG

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education to require public school governing authorities to post certain fiscal information on their websites.

WHEREAS, city, parish, and other local public school boards play a critical role in financial oversight of public schools and school districts; and

WHEREAS, taxpayers should have easy access to details regarding how public schools are spending public funds; and

WHEREAS, easy access to electronic financial data would increase transparency in public school financial matters; and

WHEREAS, the availability of certain fiscal information online would make it possible for citizens to accurately compare school budgets in both traditional public schools and public charter schools.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education to require public school governing authorities to post the following fiscal information on their websites in accordance with the specified schedule:

(1) Annual budget and general summary by September 30th beginning in 2021.

(2) Annual independent audit after approval and acceptance by the legislative auditor by September 30th beginning in 2021.

(3) Quarterly reports detailing revenue, receipts, expenditures, and disbursements, the first such report to be posted by October 31, 2021.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE