

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 392 (SB 128)

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Jackson

Prior law provided that, if state funds are available, each teacher shall be provided a minimum of 45 minutes of planning time and a minimum of 30 minutes for lunch each day which shall be duty-free and provides that the school day shall not be lengthened to accommodate the provision of the planning time and lunch period.

New law deletes the requirement for a duty-free lunch period. Requires each teacher to be provided a minimum of 45 minutes of uninterrupted planning time each day.

New law prohibits a reduction in daily student instructional time to accommodate the provision of the planning time.

New law removes the contingency making implementation subject to the availability of state funds.

New law requires that teachers, school bus drivers, and other Lafourche Parish School Board employees have free and unhampered passage crossing the Louisiana Highway 1 Bridge, also known as the Tomey J. Doucet Bridge, when traveling to and from their work place on work days, as prescribed by the board, not to exceed two toll-free crossings in one day. Requires the state Department of Transportation and Development (DOTD) to adopt rules and regulations to implement new law.

New law relative to teacher planning time are effective on July 1, 2022.

New law relative to exemptions from the payment of tolls on the La. Highway 1 Bridge are effective on August 1, 2023, or the date of the adoption of final rules by DOTD, whichever is sooner.

(Amends R.S. 17:434(A); adds R.S. 17:426)