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HOUSE BILL NO. 550

BY REPRESENTATIVE EMERSON

SCHOOLS/CHARTER: Provides relative to learning pods established by charter schools

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 17:3996(I), relative to elementary and secondary education; to provide relative
3 to student learning pods; to provide relative to policies and procedures; to provide
4 relative to domicile; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 17:3996(I) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 §3996. Charter schools; exemptions; requirements

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9 I. If a charter school establishes a learning pod as defined in R.S. 17:4036.1,
10 the learning pod may be located at any site selected by the charter school and the
11 governing authority shall notify its authorizer within thirty days. No other conditions
12 except as outlined in Chapter 43-B of this Title shall be required.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides relative to location of learning pods and notification to charter school authorizers.

Present law (R.S. 17:3996), relative to charter schools, provides for the chartering and approval process.

Present law (R.S. 17:4036.1) authorizes each public school governing authority to establish learning pods as an extension of a school under its jurisdiction. Defines "learning pod" as a group of at least 10 students enrolled in the school who receive instruction in a small group setting.

Proposed law retains present law.

Proposed law relative to governing authorities of charter schools that establish learning pods:

- (1) Authorizes choice of location of learning pod site.
- (2) Requires notification to charter authorizer within 30 days of establishment of learning pod.

(Adds R.S. 17:3996(I))