## **DIGEST**

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**Abstract:** Subjects a superintendent's appointment of a principal to the approval of the school board.

<u>Present law</u> provides for each school principal to be appointed by the local school superintendent and serve as the administrative officer of the school to which he is assigned.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> but subjects the appointment to the approval of the local school board as follows:

- (1) Applicants for each vacancy in a school principal position shall be interviewed by an interview committee formed by the school system's director of human resources, which shall screen the applications, interview all qualified applicants, and submit three applicants to the superintendent for his consideration.
- (2) The superintendent shall select a candidate from those submitted by the interview committee to recommend to the board at an open public meeting that has been properly noticed.
- (3) If a nominee is denied, the superintendent shall recommend another candidate from the finalist pool.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires each public school board to develop and implement an internship program for training and preparing individuals to serve as principals. Provides that any applicant for a principal position who has been through the internship program shall be granted an interview by the interview committee.

(Amends R.S. 17:414.1)