DIGEST

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Abstract: Requires public school governing authorities, including those of charter schools, and the state Dept. of Education to report certain data relative to students with dyslexia.

<u>Present law</u> requires that every child in public school in grades kindergarten through third be screened, at least once, for the existence of impediments to a successful school experience, including:

- (1) Dyslexia and related disorders.
- (2) Attention deficit disorder.
- (3) Social and environmental factors that put a child at risk of dropping out of school.

<u>Present law</u> requires that services be provided to a student found to be in need of services by such screening.

<u>Proposed law</u> specifies that <u>present law</u> is applicable to charter schools.

<u>Present law</u> requires public school governing authorities to report to the state Dept. of Education relative to certain groups of students identified as having dyslexia, disaggregated by grade and type of education plan, by Oct. 31st annually. Proposed law moves reporting deadline to Dec. 15th.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires the reporting of the number of students to be expressed as one of the following:

- (1) Zero.
- (2) A range from one to 10.
- (3) The exact number of cases if the number is above 10.

Proposed law specifies that proposed law applies to charter schools.

<u>Present law</u> requires the department to submit a cumulative report to the legislative education committees by Dec. 1st annually. <u>Proposed law</u> moves reporting deadline to March 1st.

(Amends R.S. 17:392.1(F)(1)(intro. para.) and (2); Adds R.S. 17:392.1(F)(3) and 3996(B)(67))