
DIGEST

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Abstract: Requires the integration of trauma-informed educational practices into early childhood education.

Trauma-informed family outreach

Present law defines "adverse childhood experiences" and "trauma-informed education" in the context of school employees and best practices for schools and classrooms. Proposed law adds "trauma-informed family outreach" to the definitions. Further requires the state Dept. of Education (DOE) to annually report relative to efforts to integrate such concepts and practices into schools.

Pilot programs

Proposed law requires DOE to create and implement pilot programs integrating trauma-informed education and trauma-informed family outreach into early childhood education. Further requires DOE to annually report relative to the implementation of the programs.

Louisiana Early Childhood Education Fund

Present law provides for the La. Early Childhood Education Fund and for administration of the fund by the State Bd. of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE). Provides that subject to legislative appropriation, monies in the funds shall be awarded annually to local entities approved by BESE according to specified parameters, conditions, and data.

Proposed law provides for use of monies from the fund for integrating trauma-informed educational practices into early childhood education efforts.

(Amends R.S. 17:407.30(E), (F), and (G) and 437.2(D); Adds R.S. 17:407.22.1, 407.30(H), and 437.2(A)(3) and (E))