SCHOOLS. Authorizes certain charter school proposals to be made directly to BESE. (gov sig)

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:3983(A)(2)(a)(i) and to enact R.S. 17:3983(A)(2)(a)(iv), relative to charter schools; to provide that certain charter proposals may be made directly to the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 17:3983(A)(2)(a)(i) is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 17:3983(A)(2)(a)(iv) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§3983. Chartering process by type; eligibility; limitations; faculty approval; parental approval

A. * * *

(2)(a)(i) Each proposal for a Type 1 or Type 3 charter school shall first be made to the local school board with jurisdiction where the school is to be located, except as provided for in Item (ii) or (iii), or (iv) of this Subparagraph, by submitting a written proposal. If, after review as required by R.S. 17:3982, the local school board denies the proposal, or if conditions placed on the proposal by the local school board, as provided in Paragraph (B)(2) of this Section, are not acceptable to
the chartering group, then a proposal for a Type 2 charter school may be made to the
state board.

(iv) A proposal for a charter school with a corporate partner, as
provided in R.S. 17:3991.1, may be made first to the state board as a Type 2
charter school.

Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
effective on the day following such approval.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Cheryl Serrett.

DIGEST
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Present law authorizes the establishment of charter schools, provides for different types of
charter schools, and provides for the chartering process, including delineating which types
of charter proposals are submitted to the local school board and which are submitted to the
State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE).

Present law authorizes charter schools to have corporate partners.

Proposed law provides that a proposal for a charter school with a corporate partner may be
made first to BESE as a Type 2 charter school.

Proposed law otherwise retains present law.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.