

**SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

2022 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Education to Original Senate Bill No. 404  
by Senator Bouie

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, line 2, change "R.S. 17:10.1(G)(1)" to "R.S. 17:10.1(E)(4) and (6) and (G)(1)"

3 AMENDMENT NO. 2

4 On page 1, at the beginning of line 4, insert "to provide for enrollment preferences;"

5 AMENDMENT NO. 3

6 On page 1, line 7, change "R.S. 17:10.1(G)(1)" to "R.S. 17:10.1(E)(4) and (6) and (G)(1)"

7 AMENDMENT NO. 4

8 On page 1, between lines 11 and 12, insert the following:

9 "E. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, in order to support and protect  
10 the interests and rights of the children it serves, the local school board:

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12 (4) Shall require all charter schools under the board's jurisdiction to  
13 participate in the parish-wide enrollment system and student expulsion process,  
14 according to policies established by the board. **The enrollment system shall  
15 provide for enrollment preferences for students that live within one mile of each  
16 school and for siblings of enrolled students. Such preferences shall be provided  
17 to at least one-half of the seats available in each grade level. The board may  
18 adopt policies to provide for exemptions to such enrollment preferences to  
19 schools with special admission requirements such as auditions or proficiency in  
20 foreign languages.**

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22 (6) May provide a lottery preference for enrollment at elementary and middle  
23 schools under the board's jurisdiction for students residing within defined geographic  
24 zones as one of the factors to determine student assignment, according to policies  
25 adopted by the board. Such preference shall be applied to not more than one-half of  
26 the seats available in each grade level to ensure that seats in all schools are accessible  
27 to students residing outside of a school's geographic zone. Notwithstanding the  
28 provisions of this Subsection, any Type 1 or Type 3 charter school that was first  
29 authorized by the board on, or prior to, July 1, 2016, and whose charter contract  
30 includes a geographic preference in accordance with R.S. 17:3991 may maintain  
31 such preference with the approval of the board, in accordance with board policy  
32 adopted for this purpose.

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