HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS

HB 736 2022 Regular Session

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EDUCATION/PERSONNEL: Provides for a loan repayment program and a related fund for high school athletic trainers working in rural areas

Synopsis of Senate Amendments

1. Changes <u>proposed law</u> deadline for the Dept. of Education to establish an implementation schedule for loan repayments <u>from</u> Jan. 1, 2023, <u>to</u> 3 months from the effective date of <u>proposed law</u>.

Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate

Proposed law:

- (1) Creates a program to address the shortage of certified high school athletic trainers in rural areas. Provides for the state Dept. of Education (DOE) to administer the program and requires DOE to develop and administer a plan for recruitment and retention of athletic trainers in such areas.
- (2) Establishes a loan repayment program for athletic trainers working in such areas. Requires DOE to provide an implementation schedule for loan repayments within three months of the effective date of <u>proposed law</u>.
- (3) Establishes the Athletic Trainer Professional Development Fund and authorizes the state treasurer to transfer \$1,500,000 into the fund.

Effective upon appropriation of funds by the legislature.

(Adds R.S. 17:3721-3726)