

## RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 260 (SB 163)

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New law requires each public school teacher who teaches fourth through eighth grade mathematics to successfully complete a foundational numeracy skills professional development course that is approved by the state Department of Education (LDOE). Specify that the required numeracy skills training shall be presented during the educator's work day, but not during the statutorily guaranteed planning period.

New law requires, not later than March 1, 2024, the LDOE to develop a list of approved professional development courses.

New law requires, by August 1, 2025, each teacher to successfully complete at least one of the approved professional development courses and provide documentation of a successful completion to the employing school. Further provides that teachers who provide documentation of completion of an approved program within five years prior to August 1, 2025, will be considered in compliance.

New law requires each newly hired teacher to document successful completion of an approved program to the employing school within two years of the date of employment.

New law requires, beginning May 1, 2026, and annually thereafter, that each city, parish, or other local school board report to LDOE the number and percentage of teachers who have successfully completed an approved course. Further requires the data to be reported on LDOE's school progress profiles.

New law requires the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education to adopt rules in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act to implement the provisions of new law.

Existing law provides for public charter schools and provides for requirements for those schools.

New law requires public charter schools to comply with provisions of new law.

New law provides that the effectiveness of the provisions of new law is subject to the designation and allocation of funds by the LDOE and that no state or obligated federal funds shall be used to implement new law.

New law provides that nothing in new law shall be construed to extend the hours in the teacher's work day nor the hours to be worked in a year.

Effective June 12, 2023.

(Adds R.S. 17:24.13 and 3996(B)(75))