

## RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

**ACT 238 (SB 46)**

**2023 Regular Session**

**Abraham**

Existing law provides for roles and responsibilities of the State Bd. of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE), the state Dept. of Education (DOE), and public school governing authorities in the review, adoption, and procurement of textbooks and other instructional materials. Further provides for the local public schools to review and adopt textbooks and instructional materials not reviewed by DOE.

New law provides that if the governing authority of a public elementary or secondary school conducts a review of textbooks or other instructional materials and determines the textbooks or other instructional materials are of high quality, the DOE shall recognize that determination for all purposes including but not limited to funding eligibility.

New law specifies that a public school governing authority seeking the recognition of textbooks or other instructional materials as high quality for all purposes shall have at least two teachers who hold the designation of Teacher Leader Advisor certify that the textbooks and instructional materials are fully aligned with Louisiana state content standards, using the rubric approved by the department. Limits to no more than 50% the number of the Teacher Leader Advisors conducting the certification who are employed by the governing authority.

Effective June 9, 2023.

(Adds R.S. 17:351.1(C)(3)(d))