
DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides relative to teaching numeracy skills to certain public school students.

Proposed law requires the state Dept. of Education (DOE) to develop or select and provide three numeracy screeners to measure the development of foundational numeracy of each public school student in grades K - 3. Provides for students to take screeners throughout the school year: within the first 30 days of the school year, in Dec., and in April.

Proposed law requires each public school to:

- (1) Provide each student in grades K-3 instruction based on methods proven to provide a strong numeracy foundation.
- (2) Administer the numeracy screeners developed or selected and provided by DOE.
- (3) Provide numeracy interventions and supports to students identified as having numeracy skills below grade level.
- (4) Ensure that all textbooks and instructional materials used to teach students mathematics are high-quality; fully aligned to state content standards; and based on certain numeracy strategies.

Proposed law requires parental notification when students are identified as having numeracy skills that are below grade level.

Additionally requires the school to provide the student's parent with the following:

- (1) Information regarding the importance of being proficient in certain numeracy concepts by the end of 3rd grade.
- (2) Activities that may be used at home to improve numeracy proficiency.
- (3) Information regarding the specific interventions and supports that the school will provide to improve the student's numeracy skills.
- (4) Mid-year and end-of-the-year updates detailing the student's progress and additional tools to use at home.

Proposed law requires school officials and parents to create an individual numeracy improvement plan for each student identified as having numeracy skills below grade level.

Proposed law authorizes the consolidation of certain academic improvement plans provided for in present law and proposed law.

(Amends R.S. 17:24.10(A)(4)(a), (F), and (G); Adds R.S. 17:24.10(H) through (K))