
DIGEST

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HB No. 740

Abstract: Relative to eligibility of high school students to participate in a dual enrollment program at participating postsecondary education institutions, provides that an otherwise eligible student who is enrolled in any La. educational program approved by or under the authority of BESE is eligible for state funds to cover his participation can participate in such a program. Adds a provision that students participating in the program shall be residents of the state.

Relative to eligibility of high school students to participate in a dual enrollment program at participating postsecondary institutions:

Present law prohibits use of state funds to pay for the participation in the program by an otherwise eligible student who is enrolled in any La. nonpublic high school that is approved by the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) or participates in a home study program of education approved by BESE.

Proposed law repeals present law. Allows state funds to pay for the participation in the program by an otherwise eligible student who is enrolled in a La. educational program that is approved by or under the authority of BESE.

Proposed law adds requirement that students participating in the program be residents of the state.

Present law requires the Board of Regents to study and report to the legislature's education committees prior to the 2009 R.S. concerning certain program cost estimates. Proposed law repeals present law.

(Amends R.S. 17:3137(B); Repeals R.S. 17:3137(C) and (D))