## DIGEST

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Girod Jackson HB No. 662

**Abstract:** Requires BESE, when it denies any charter proposal, to provide written notification to the charter applicant that includes an explanation of the reason for such denial.

<u>Present law</u> establishes certain powers and duties of the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) relative to charter schools, including requiring BESE to enter into proposed charters that comply with <u>present law</u> and BESE policy and that meet certain other criteria.

<u>Proposed law</u> additionally requires BESE, when it denies any charter proposal, to provide written notification to the charter applicant that includes an explanation of the reason for such denial. (<u>Present law</u> applies this same requirement to local charter authorizers and local school boards upon denial of charter proposals.)

(Amends R.S. 17:3981(2))