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DIGEST

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SCR No. 64

Requests the Department of Education to establish a study group to investigate the current state of agricultural education in elementary and secondary schools and to provide recommendations to the legislature and the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) for improvements in agricultural education and the possible implementation of a pilot program for an agricultural immersion curriculum.

Recommends that the study group consist of the following members:

- (1) The chair of the Senate Education Committee or his designee.
- (2) The chair of the Senate Agriculture, Forestry, Aquaculture, and Rural Development Committee or his designee.
- (3) The chair of the House Education Committee or his designee.
- (4) The chair of the House Agriculture, Forestry, Aquaculture, and Rural Development Committee or his designee.
- (5) The state superintendent of education or his designee.
- (6) The commissioner of the Department of Agriculture and Forestry or his designee.
- (7) The chancellor of the Louisiana State University Agricultural Center or his designee.
- (8) The chancellor of the Southern University Agricultural Center or his designee.
- (9) A representative of the Louisiana Cooperative Extension Center appointed by the commissioner of agriculture and forestry.
- (10) The president of the Louisiana Farm Bureau or his designee.
- (11) The president of the Louisiana Agriscience Teachers Association or his designee.
- (12) The president of the Louisiana chapter of the Future Farmers of America or his designee.
- (13) A member of the Senate appointed by the president of the Senate.

- (14) A member of the House of Representatives appointed by the speaker of the House.
- (15) An at-large member appointed by the president of the Senate.
- (16) An at-large member appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives.

Requires the Department of Education to submit a written report of the study group's findings and recommendations to BESE and the legislature not later than February 1, 2014.

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Education to the original bill

1. Requests the Dept. of Education to establish a group to study agricultural education instead of actually creating such study group.
2. Provides that DOE will submit a written report to BESE and the legislature.
3. Makes technical corrections.