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HOUSE BILL NO. 988

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BY REPRESENTATIVE SCHRODER

STUDENT/STANDARDS: Permits local school boards to develop and implement curriculum content and methodology in lieu of that recommended by the state Dept. of Education or the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education

AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 17:24.4(E), relative to education standards and curriculum; to 3 permit local public school boards to develop and implement curriculum content and 4 methodology for required subjects instead of implementing curriculum content and 5 methodology recommended by the state Department of Education or the State Board 6 of Elementary and Secondary Education; and to provide for related matters. 7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana: 8 Section 1. R.S. 17:24.4(E) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows: 9 §24.4. Louisiana Competency-Based Education Program; statewide standards for 10 required subjects; Louisiana Educational Assessment Program; parish or city 11 school board comprehensive pupil progression plans; waivers 12 13 E.(1) The state Department of Education shall, with the approval of the State 14 Board of Elementary and Secondary Education, as part of the Louisiana 15 Competency-Based Education Program, shall develop and establish Louisiana 16 statewide content standards for required subjects to be taught in the public 17 elementary and secondary schools of this state. The statewide content standards for 18 required subjects shall be implemented by the state Department of Education as 19 approved by the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education, with

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recommendations prior to approval and advice from the educational personnel in the
public schools and colleges and universities of this state.

(2) A city, parish, or other local public school board may develop and implement curriculum content and methodology for required subjects for the schools under its jurisdiction in lieu of the curriculum content and methodology recommended by the state Department of Education or the State Board of Elementary or Secondary Education.

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DIGEST

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Abstract: Permits local public school boards to develop and implement curriculum content and methodology for required subjects for the schools under its jurisdiction instead of that recommended by the state Dept. of Education or the State Board of Elementary or Secondary Education.

<u>Present law</u> provides for the La. Competency-Based Education Program, including the development and implementation of statewide standards for required subjects and the La. Educational Assessment Program (LEAP). Requires the state Dept. of Education to develop, with the approval of the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education, statewide content standards for required subjects for public elementary and secondary schools. Requires implementation of the standards by the department, with recommendations prior to approval and advice from the educational personnel in the public schools and colleges and universities of this state.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> but permits local public school boards to develop and implement curriculum content and methodology for required subjects for the schools under its jurisdiction in lieu of the curriculum content and methodology recommended by the state Dept. of Education or BESE.

(Amends R.S. 17:24.4(E))