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SB No. 61

Proposed law provides that the parent or other legal guardian of any student may enroll the student in the public school of his choice, without regard to residence, school system geographic boundaries, or attendance zones, if all of the following apply:

- (1) The public school in which the student was most recently enrolled, or would otherwise attend, received a letter grade of "D" or "F" for the most recent school year.
- (2) The school in which the student seeks to enroll received a letter grade of "A", "B", or "C" for the most recent school year.
- (3) Such enrollment is approved by the local school board of the school where the student is enrolling.

Provides that a student enrolled in a public school pursuant to proposed law shall be counted by the school system in which he is enrolled for purposes of the minimum foundation program and formula, and any other available state or federal funding for which the student is eligible. Provides that a school system is not be required to provide transportation to any student enrolled in a public school pursuant to proposed law that is located outside of the geographic boundaries of the school system in which he resides if it will result in additional cost to the school system. Prohibits such public school choice if it violates the order of a court of competent jurisdiction. Requires public school governing authorities to work collaboratively and cooperatively to ensure compliance with proposed law.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Adds R.S. 17:4035 and 4035.1)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

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

1. Makes technical changes in statutory citations.

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Education to the engrossed bill.

1. Adds requirement that the local school board of the school in which a student is choosing to enroll approves enrollment pursuant to proposed law.