

New law authorizes BESE to formulate and make timely revisions of a master plan for elementary and secondary education.

Provides that, at a minimum, the plan shall include a review of strategic plans and major initiatives, currently adopted or proposed, with special emphasis on implementing technology fully into the classroom.

Requires BESE to submit its plan to the legislature not later than 15 days prior to the 2015 Regular Session. Further requires BESE to review periodically the master plan and revise as necessary to support and maintain the public elementary and secondary education system and achieve the goals established in the plan.

Requires BESE to make recommendations for legislative or gubernatorial action necessary to support implementation of the master plan.

Requires BESE to report annually to the legislature regarding the status of education relative to implementation of the master plan, including in such report all revisions since the last report and any recommendations for legislative action.

Effective August 1, 2014.

(Adds R.S. 17:6(C))