

2015 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 28

BY SENATOR BROWN

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

SCHOOLS. Requires public school governing authorities to inform students and parents of the homework assistance services offered through the State Library of Louisiana. (gov sig)

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AN ACT

To enact R.S. 17:182.1 and 3996(B)(39), relative to schools and student instruction; to require public school governing authorities and schools to inform students and parents regarding certain homework assistance services; to provide for the posting of this information in public and certain nonpublic schools; to provide relative to Department of Education support; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 17:182.1 and 3996(B)(39) are hereby enacted to read as follows:

**§182.1. Homework assistance**

**A. Each public school governing authority shall actively promote and provide information to students and parents on how to access the after-school online homework assistance services offered through the State Library of Louisiana and their local public library.**

**B. The information required by this Section, including the appropriate link provided by the State Library of Louisiana, shall be included in each school's student handbook and shall also be posted on the home page of the website of each public school governing authority and each public school that**

1 has a website.

2 C. Each public school and nonpublic school approved by the State  
3 Board of Elementary and Secondary Education shall post the information  
4 required by this Section in a location in the school visible to students.

5 D. The state Department of Education shall collaborate with the State  
6 Library of Louisiana for the support, promotion, and maintenance of its after-  
7 school homework assistance services and other instructional-related databases.

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9 §3996. Charter schools; exemptions; requirements

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11 B. Notwithstanding any state law, rule, or regulation to the contrary and  
12 except as may be otherwise specifically provided for in an approved charter, a  
13 charter school established and operated in accordance with the provisions of this  
14 Chapter and its approved charter and the school's officers and employees shall be  
15 exempt from all statutory mandates or other statutory requirements that are  
16 applicable to public schools and to public school officers and employees except for  
17 the following laws otherwise applicable to public schools with the same grades:

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19 **(39) Notification of homework assistance services, R.S. 17:182.1.**

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21 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not  
22 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature  
23 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If  
24 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become  
25 effective on the day following such approval.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Jeanne C. Johnston.

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DIGEST

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Proposed law requires each public school governing authority to actively promote and provide information to students and parents on how to access the after-school online homework assistance services offered through the State Library of Louisiana and their local public library. Further provides that the appropriate link provided by the State Library of Louisiana shall be included in each school's student handbook and be posted on the home page of the website of each public school governing authority and each public school that has a website.

Proposed law requires each public school and BESE approved nonpublic school to post the information required by proposed law in a location in the school visible to students.

Proposed law requires the state Dept. of Education to collaborate with the State Library of Louisiana for the support, promotion, and maintenance of its after-school homework assistance services and other instructional-related databases.

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

(Adds R.S. 17:182.1 and 3996(B)(39))