

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)

1 AN ACT

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

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

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

9 **§182.1. Homework assistance**

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

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

1 **has a website.**

2 **C. Each public school shall post the information required by this Section**
3 **in a prominent location where it can be seen by all students on a daily basis.**

4 **D. The state Department of Education shall collaborate with the State**
5 **Library of Louisiana to align and promote its after-school homework assistance**
6 **services and programs related to elementary and secondary education.**

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8 §3996. Charter schools; exemptions; requirements

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

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

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

The original instrument was prepared by Jeanne Johnston. The following digest, which does not constitute a part of the legislative instrument, was prepared by Ann S. Brown.

DIGEST

SB 28 Reengrossed

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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 to post the information required by proposed law in a prominent location visible to all students on a daily basis.

Proposed law requires the state Dept. of Education to collaborate with the State Library of Louisiana to align and promote its after-school homework assistance services and programs related to elementary and secondary education.

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

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

Summary of Amendments Adopted by SenateCommittee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Education to the original bill

1. Removes BESE approved nonpublic schools from the provisions of the bill.
2. Specifies that homework assistance information be posted in prominent location where it can be seen by all students on daily basis.

Senate Floor Amendments to engrossed bill

1. Changes the collaborative duties of the Dept. of Education and the State Library of Louisiana.