

2015 Regular Session

# ACT No. 364

HOUSE BILL NO. 844 (Substitute for House Bill No. 599 by Representative Thierry)

BY REPRESENTATIVE THIERRY

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 17:407.23(B)(3), relative to the early childhood care and  
3 education network; to provide relative to the implementation of the uniform  
4 assessment and accountability system for publicly funded early childhood education  
5 programs; to require the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education to  
6 submit a report relative to such implementation; and to provide for related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 17:407.23(B)(3) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

9 §407.23. Early Childhood Care and Education Network; creation; components;  
10 duties and responsibilities

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12 B. To facilitate the creation of this network, the state board shall:

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14 (3)(a) Create a uniform assessment and accountability system for publicly-  
15 funded early childhood education programs that includes a letter grade indicative of  
16 student performance.

17 (b) The state board shall designate the 2015-2016 school year as an academic  
18 learning year in which a three-level rating system, not to be based on letter grades  
19 nor used for consequences, shall be used to create practice performance profiles for  
20 publicly funded sites and the community networks in which they are included. The  
21 state board and the state Department of Education shall specify in public  
22 communications that any ratings assigned during the 2015-2016 school year are  
23 practice ratings for the academic learning year. The state board shall submit a  
24 written report on the progress of the academic learning year to the House Committee

