
DIGEST

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Abstract: Prohibits a charter school from contracting or otherwise entering into an agreement with a for-profit entity to manage or operate the school.

Proposed law prohibits a charter school from entering into a contract or agreement with a for-profit entity to manage or operate a charter school. Provides that proposed law does not apply to a contract or agreement in effect on June 30, 2016, but shall apply to any new contract or renewal or extension of an existing contract entered into on or after July 1, 2016.

Present law (R.S. 17:3997(A)(1)(b)) grants a nonprofit organization that establishes a charter school exclusive authority over school employment decisions. Authorizes the nonprofit organization, as provided in the charter, to contract with a for-profit organization to manage the charter school and to delegate to the for-profit organization authority over employment decisions, such delegation to be specified in a service provider agreement. Proposed law deletes the authority for the nonprofit organization to contract with a for-profit organization to manage the school. Otherwise retains present law.

Present law (R.S. 17:1990(B)(2)(a)), authorizes the Recovery School District (RSD) to contract with for-profit providers for the general operation of and any needed services for a school under its jurisdiction. Proposed law prohibits the RSD from contracting or entering into an agreement with a for-profit organization, corporation, or other legal entity for the management or operation of a school under its jurisdiction, but retains RSD authority to contract with a for-profit provider for needed services.

Effective July 1, 2016.

(Amends R.S. 17:1990(B)(2)(a) and 3997(A)(1)(b); Adds R.S.17:3991(E)(6))