

2018 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 633

BY REPRESENTATIVE HUNTER

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 40:5.6.1, relative to safe drinking water; to authorize a pilot program for
3 drinking water testing at schools; and to provide for related matters.

4 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

5 Section 1. R.S. 40:5.6.1 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

6 §5.6.1. Safe drinking water; pilot program for water testing at schools; reporting;
7 termination

8 A. The Louisiana Department of Health, referred to hereafter in this Section
9 as the "department", shall establish a pilot program for drinking water testing at
10 elementary schools which comports with the requirements and specifications
11 provided in this Section.

12 B. The department shall select for the pilot program twelve public
13 elementary schools at which to conduct drinking water testing. The department shall
14 select for the pilot program schools with buildings which were built prior to 1986 or
15 which may otherwise be susceptible to drinking water contamination.

16 C. The office of public health of the department shall conduct drinking water
17 testing on a schedule determined by the state health officer in each school selected
18 for the pilot program. The state health officer shall select the standards for which the
19 office shall test such that the testing is accomplished in a cost-neutral manner.

20 D. The department shall operate the pilot program in a manner which incurs
21 no additional cost to the department.

- 1 E. The department shall report findings and outcomes of the pilot program
2 to the House and Senate committees on health and welfare on or before December
3 31 annually.
- 4 F. The provisions of this Section shall terminate on January 1, 2021.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____