

2021 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 304

BY REPRESENTATIVE LYONS

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 17:407.23(E) and (F) and 407.30(D)(3), relative to early childhood care and
3 education; to require the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education to
4 coordinate data relative to the early childhood care and education network and to
5 submit an annual report relative thereto to the legislature; to require the board to
6 consider such data when allocating awards from the Louisiana Early Childhood
7 Education Fund; to require the board to create a program for the purpose of making
8 instructional materials available to children who are not enrolled in the early
9 childhood care and education network; and to provide for related matters.

10 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

11 Section 1. R.S. 17:407.23(E) and (F) and 407.30(D)(3) are hereby enacted to read
12 as follows:

13 §407.23. Early Childhood Care and Education Network; creation; components;
14 duties and responsibilities; pilot programs

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16 E.(1) The state board shall coordinate and report data relative to the early
17 childhood care and education network in a manner that assists legislators in
18 evaluating the effectiveness of the network and in determining the most efficient and
19 effective allocation of funding and services to maximize opportunities for children
20 aged birth through five to achieve kindergarten readiness.

21 (2) The state board shall submit to the House Committee on Education,
22 Senate Committee on Education, House Committee on Appropriations, and Senate
23 Committee on Finance a written report not later than sixty days prior to each regular
24 session of the legislature. The report shall include, at minimum, the following
25 information:

