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**HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representative Downer to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 225 by Senator Theunissen

1     AMENDMENT NO. 1

2     Delete Amendment No. 1 of the Conforming Amendments proposed by  
3     Representative Crane and adopted by the House of Representatives on April  
4     24, 2003

5     AMENDMENT NO. 2

6     On page 1, line 2, after "Section 3(A)" and before the comma "," insert "of the  
7     Constitution of Louisiana" and on the same line delete "State Board of" and  
8     delete line 3, and insert: "public elementary and secondary schools which have  
9     been deemed to be failing; to authorize the state Board of Elementary and  
10    Secondary Education to"

11    AMENDMENT NO. 3

12    On page 1, line 7, after "funds;" insert the following:

13            "to authorize the legislature to enact programs to provide alternative  
14            educational opportunities for children who are enrolled in public  
15            elementary and secondary schools which have been deemed to be  
16            failing; to authorize the legislature to provide that the alternative  
17            educational opportunities may include the opportunity for those  
18            children to enroll in other public schools or in private, parochial,  
19            charter, or other nonpublic schools; to authorize the legislature to  
20            provide that the alternative educational opportunities may include  
21            providing scholarships, vouchers and other forms of assistance to  
22            enable those children to attend other public schools or to attend private,  
23            parochial, charter, or other nonpublic schools; to authorize the  
24            legislature to allocate a portion of the funds which the state board  
25            receives, controls, or expends to the parents of those children to allow  
26            those children to participate in alternative educational opportunities; to  
27            authorize the parents of those children to elect to enroll those children  
28            in alternative educational opportunities; to require the state board to  
29            respect the establishment by the legislature of programs to provide  
30            alternative educational opportunities; to require the state board to  
31            respect the election of parents of those children to enroll those children  
32            in alternative educational opportunities;"

33    AMENDMENT NO. 4

1 On page 2, at the end of line 23, add the following:

2 In addition to the other provisions of this Paragraph, the  
3 legislature shall have the power to enact programs to provide  
4 alternative educational opportunities for children who are enrolled  
5 in public elementary and secondary schools which have been  
6 deemed to be failing, the power to provide that the alternative  
7 educational opportunities may include the opportunity for those  
8 children to enroll in other public schools or in private, parochial,  
9 charter, or other nonpublic schools, the power to provide that the  
10 alternative educational opportunities may include providing  
11 scholarships, vouchers and other forms of assistance to enable  
12 those children to attend other public schools or to attend private,  
13 parochial, charter, or other nonpublic schools, and the power to  
14 allocate a portion of the funds which the state board receives,  
15 controls, or expends under the provisions of this Paragraph to the  
16 parents of those children to allow those children to participate in  
17 alternative educational opportunities. The parents of those  
18 children shall have the power to elect to enroll those children in  
19 alternative educational opportunities. The board shall respect the  
20 establishment by the legislature of programs to provide alternative  
21 educational opportunities and shall respect the election of the  
22 parents of those children to enroll those children in alternative  
23 educational opportunities."

24 AMENDMENT NO. 5

25 On page 3, line 13, after "school" change the comma "," to a semicolon ";" and  
26 insert the following:

27 "to authorize the legislature to enact programs to provide alternative  
28 educational opportunities for children who are enrolled in public  
29 elementary and secondary schools which have been deemed to be  
30 failing; to authorize the legislature to provide that the alternative  
31 educational opportunities may include the opportunity for those  
32 children to enroll in other public schools or in private, parochial,  
33 charter, or other nonpublic schools; to authorize the legislature to  
34 provide that the alternative educational opportunities may include  
35 providing scholarships, vouchers and other forms of assistance to  
36 enable those children to attend other public schools or to attend private,  
37 parochial, charter, or other nonpublic schools; to authorize the  
38 legislature to allocate a portion of the funds which the state board  
39 receives, controls, or expends to the parents of those children to allow  
40 those children to participate in alternative educational opportunities; to  
41 authorize the parents of those children to elect to enroll those children  
42 in alternative educational opportunities; to require the state board to  
43 respect the establishment by the legislature of programs to provide  
44 alternative educational opportunities; to require the state board to  
45 respect the election of parents of those children to enroll those children  
46 in alternative educational opportunities;"