

**HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

2022 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Education to Original House Bill No. 824  
by Representative Schlegel

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, line 2, after "To" and before "enact" insert "amend and reenact R.S. 17:236(A)  
3 and to"

4 AMENDMENT NO. 2

5 On page 1, line 13, after "Section 1." and before "Chapter 43-C" insert "R.S. 17:236(A) is  
6 hereby amended and reenacted and"

7 AMENDMENT NO. 3

8 On page 1, between lines 14 and 15, insert the following:

9        "§236. Definition of a school  
10           A. For the purposes of this Chapter, a school is defined as an institution for  
11 the teaching of children, consisting of an adequate physical plant, whether owned or  
12 leased, instructional staff members, and students. For such an institution to be  
13 classified as a school, within the meaning of this Chapter, instructional staff  
14 members shall meet the following requirements: if a public day school or a  
15 nonpublic school which receives local, state, or federal funds or support, directly or  
16 indirectly, they shall be certified in accordance with rules established by the State  
17 Board of Elementary and Secondary Education; if a nonpublic school which receives  
18 no local, state, or federal funds or support, directly or indirectly, they shall meet such  
19 requirements as may be prescribed by the school or the church. In addition, except  
20 as otherwise provided in Subsection B of this Section, any such institution, to be  
21 classified as a school, shall operate a minimum session of not less than one hundred  
22 eighty days. Solely for purposes of compulsory attendance in a nonpublic school,  
23 a child who participates in a home study program approved by the State Board of  
24 Elementary and Secondary Education shall be considered in attendance at a day  
25 school; a home study program shall be approved if it offers a sustained curriculum  
26 of a quality at least equal to that offered by public schools at the same grade level.  
27 Solely for purposes of compulsory attendance in a nonpublic school, a child shall be  
28 considered in attendance at a day school if the child is eligible to participate in the  
29 Education Savings Account Program pursuant to R.S. 17:4037.4 and the child's  
30 parent has signed an agreement pursuant to R.S. 17:4037.4(A)(3).  
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32 AMENDMENT NO. 4

33 On page 3, between lines 19 and 20, insert the following:

34                   "(5) A requirement that the program shall begin enrolling participating  
35 students not later than the beginning of the 2023-2024 school year."

36 AMENDMENT NO. 5

37 On page 3, at the end of line 28, insert "The department may withhold up to five percent of  
38 funds allocated for each account annually for program administration."

CODING: Words in struck-through type are deletions from existing law; words underscored  
are additions.