

Regular Session, 2009

HOUSE BILL NO. 400

BY REPRESENTATIVES WILLIAMS, ARNOLD, AUSTIN BADON, BOBBY BADON, BALDONE, BARRAS, BARROW, BILLIOT, BURFORD, HENRY BURNS, TIM BURNS, BURRELL, CARMODY, CARTER, CONNICK, CORTEZ, DIXON, DOWNS, ELLINGTON, FOIL, GALLOT, GISCLAIR, GREENE, MICKEY GUILLORY, GUINN, HARDY, HARRISON, HINES, HONEY, HOWARD, HUTTER, MICHAEL JACKSON, KATZ, KLECKLEY, LABRUZZO, LAFONTA, LEBAS, LIGI, MILLS, NORTON, NOWLIN, PEARSON, PERRY, RICHARD, RICHMOND, RITCHIE, ROY, GARY SMITH, JANE SMITH, PATRICIA SMITH, STIAES, TUCKER, WILLMOTT, AND WOOTON

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 17:17.1(A)(1) and to enact R.S. 17:17.1(D), relative to required
3 physical activity for students; to require public schools to provide at least thirty
4 minutes of physical activity each school day for students in grades seven and eight;
5 to provide for the establishment of school health advisory councils; to provide for
6 council purposes, membership, and compensation; to provide for effectiveness; and
7 to provide for related matters.

8 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

9 Section 1. R.S. 17:17.1(A)(1) is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 17:17.1(D)
10 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

11 §17.1. Required physical activity in schools

12 A.(1) ~~Effective for the 2004-2005 school year and thereafter, each~~ Each
13 public ~~elementary~~ school that includes any of the grades kindergarten through ~~six~~
14 eight shall provide at least thirty minutes each school day of quality moderate to
15 vigorous physical activity for students.

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17 D. Each city, parish, and other local public school board shall establish a
18 school health advisory council to advise the board on physical activity for students,
19 physical and health education, nutrition, and overall student health. The council may
20 advise the board on issues relative to compliance with school vending machine

1 restrictions, use of physical fitness assessment results, and school recess policies.
 2 The council members shall be appointed by the school board and shall include
 3 parents of students and individuals representing the community. All council
 4 members shall serve without compensation.

5 Section 2. This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2009; if vetoed by the governor
 6 and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become effective on July 1,
 7 2009, or on the day following such approval by the legislature, whichever is later.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____