

Regular Session, 2014

HOUSE BILL NO. 415

BY REPRESENTATIVE HOFFMANN

TEACHERS/EVALUATION: Provides for the reconvening of the Educator Evaluation Advisory Committee to make recommendations relative to the evaluation of teachers and administrators

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 17:3883(A)(6)(a)(introductory paragraph), (c), and (d), relative  
3 to the evaluation of teachers and administrators; to require the appointment and  
4 convening of an advisory committee to make specific recommendations relative to  
5 such evaluations; to provide a time line for the convening of the committee and for  
6 the submission of recommendations; and to provide for related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 17:3883(A)(6)(a)(introductory paragraph), (c), and (d) are hereby  
9 amended and reenacted to read as follows:

10 §3883. State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education; powers and duties

11 A. The board shall:

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13 (6)(a) Require the state superintendent of education to appoint and convene  
14 an Educator Evaluation Advisory Committee to report on and make  
15 recommendations ~~to the board~~ regarding the overall effectiveness of the evaluation  
16 program, including but not limited to any recommendations for changes to board  
17 policy or state law with respect to the development of a value-added assessment  
18 model as determined by the board pursuant to R.S. 17:3902(B)(5), the identification  
19 of measures of student growth for grades and subjects for which value-added data  
20 is are not available and for personnel for whom value-added data is are not available  
21 as established by the board pursuant to R.S. 17:3902(B)(5), and the adoption of

1 elements of evaluation and standards of for effectiveness as defined by the board  
 2 pursuant to R.S. 17:3902(B)(introductory paragraph). The membership of the  
 3 advisory committee shall be approved by the board, and at least fifty percent of the  
 4 membership shall be comprised of practicing classroom educators. The advisory  
 5 committee shall include but not be limited to at least two parents of public school  
 6 students and the following groups or organizations as follows:

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8 (c) The initial meeting of the committee shall be held not later than  
 9 September 30, ~~2010~~ 2014.

10 (d) The committee shall submit its initial report and recommendations to the  
 11 board and the Senate and House committees on education by not later than ~~April 30,~~  
 12 ~~2012~~ sixty days prior to the beginning of the 2015 Regular Session of the Legislature  
 13 of Louisiana and shall submit a subsequent report and further recommendations by  
 14 not later than sixty days prior to the beginning of the 2016 Regular Session of the  
 15 Legislature of Louisiana.

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#### DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Requires the state superintendent of education to reappoint and reconvene the Educator Evaluation Advisory Committee to report and make recommendations relative to the evaluation of teachers and administrators.

Present law requires the annual, formal evaluation of every public school teacher and administrator through the professional employee evaluation program. Provides for the appointment and convening by the state superintendent of education of an Educator Evaluation Advisory Committee to make recommendations to the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) and the House and Senate education committees by April 30, 2012, relative to certain components of such evaluation program.

Proposed law requires the reappointment and reconvening of this committee, the holding of its first meeting by Sept. 30, 2014, and its submission of its initial report and recommendations to BESE and such committees by not later than 60 days prior to the beginning of the 2015 R.S. Requires a subsequent report and further recommendations by not later than 60 days prior to the 2016 R.S.

Present law requires the committee to make recommendations regarding the following:

- (1) Development of a value-added assessment model (commonly known as VAM).
- (2) Identification of measures of student growth for grades and subjects for which value-added data are not available and for personnel for which value-added data are not available.
- (3) Adoption of standards of effectiveness.

Proposed law revises the recommendation requirements to require the committee to report on and make recommendations regarding the overall effectiveness of the evaluation program, including but not limited to any recommendations for changes to BESE policy or state law relative to VAM, such growth measures, elements of evaluation, and such standards for effectiveness.

Present law provides for a committee membership of at least 50% practicing classroom educators; at least two parents of public school students; two members of each legislative education committee appointed by the respective chairmen; one member appointed by each BESE member; and one member appointed by the Assoc. Professional Educators of La., La. Assoc. of Educators, La. Federation of Teachers, La. Assoc. of School Superintendents, La. Assoc. of Principals, and La. Assoc. of Public Charter Schools. Provides that members serve without compensation. Proposed law retains present law.

(Amends R.S. 17:3883(A)(6)(a)(intro. para.), (c), and (d))