HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Education to Original House Bill No. 1177 by Representative Carter

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 20, between "systems" and "additional" change "face" to "create"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, at the end of line 20, delete"due" and on page 2, at the beginning of line 1, delete "to system size"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, line 2, after "that" delete the remainder of the line and insert in lieu thereof "would further improve student achievement."

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, line 16, between "law" and "in" insert a comma "," and "except R.S. 17:158,"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 3, line 10 between "postemployment" and "obligations" change "financial" to "health-care"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 3, line 22, after "funds for" delete the remainder of the line and on line 23, delete "legacy costs, and bonded indebtedness." and insert in lieu thereof "retiree legacy costs, construction, maintenance, and repair of immovable property, and bonded indebtedness, and for school system costs, including operations."

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 3, at the end of line 25, delete "as provided for in R.S. 17:1224." and insert in lieu thereof a period "."

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 3, delete lines 26 through 28 and on page 4, delete lines 1 and 2 and insert in lieu thereof:

> "(4) Except as provided in Subsection B of this Section, allocate all funds available to the school system to individual schools on a per-pupil basis. Allocation of funds received via the Minimum Foundation Program shall be allocated per-pupil according to weights for special characteristics or needs as provided in the Minimum Foundation Program formula. All unrestricted funds shall be allocated per-pupil according to weights for special characteristics or needs as determined to be equitable by the local school board. All funds subject to use restrictions shall be allocated per pupil in such a way as to fulfill their restricted use, as deemed equitable by the local school board."

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AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 4, line 11, after "R.S. 17:134." add "Enrollment zone policies shall include provisions that limit mid-year enrollment changes caused by student change in address."

AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 4, line 13, between "retain" and "a" insert "revenue for payment of retiree legacy costs, construction, maintenance, and repair of immovable property, and bonded indebtedness, and, in addition, shall annually retain"

AMENDMENT NO. 11

On page 4, line 16, after "Section" delete the comma "," and delete the remainder of the line and insert in lieu thereof a period "." and "Retained funds shall be used for their intended purpose."

AMENDMENT NO. 12

On page 4, line 26, between "and" and "goals" change "accountability" to "performance"

AMENDMENT NO. 13

On page 5, delete lines 7 through 19, and insert in lieu thereof:

"(10) Provide support and operations services for schools on a charge-back basis, including but not limited to: student food services, student transportation services, financial and accounting services, student appraisal for special education services, student transportation services, special services for at-risk students, special education services other than gifted and talented, gifted and talented student services, custodial and maintenance services, media services, technology services, library services, student health services, and health benefits for active employees. Prior to the start of each school year, the superintendent shall provide to each principal an invoice detailing the itemized per-unit cost of all support and operations services the superintendent may provide to the principal's school during that school year. The principal may opt out of any service provided by the superintendent via a written notification, and then retain one hundred percent of the cost of such service as part of the school's operating budget. Annually, the superintendent shall prepare and submit to each principal a written report detailing the actual cost of the services provided to the school and shall prepare and submit a summary of this report to the school board."

AMENDMENT NO. 14

On page 5, between lines 23 and 24, insert:

"(14) Annually create and submit to the local school board a report of district progress which shall include but not be limited to data on student growth, student achievement, number and percentage of students enrolled in and any excess capacity in schools meeting statewide proficiency standards, enrollment trends including transfers into and out of the school system from and to private schools, excess demand and capacity for each available magnet, special education, alternative, and each other special program, and satisfaction of parents, guardians, teachers, and principals.

(15) Provide administrative guidelines to principals concerning relevant laws, policies, and regulations.

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(16) Work with principals and the community to strategically map programs in local schools to ensure adequate availability of special education programs.

AMENDMENT NO. 15

On page 5, line 28, between "for" and "goals" change "clear accountability" to "performance"

AMENDMENT NO. 16

On page 6, delete lines 3 and 4, and insert in lieu thereof "duration of each management contract shall be no more than two years, and management contracts may be terminated for failure to meet the performance goals specified in the contract and for willful neglect of duty, incompetency, dishonesty, or immorality. No principal shall suffer any disciplinary action for exercising any right or power or performing any duty or function granted or authorized for principals by this Subpart."

AMENDMENT NO. 17

On page 6, line 20, between "at least" and "community-based" change "three" to "five"

AMENDMENT NO. 18

On page 6, line 27, after "(3)" delete the remainder of the line and insert in lieu thereof "Charter schools located within the geographical boundaries of the school system shall be included as an"

AMENDMENT NO. 19

On page 6, line 24, between "programs" and "and special" insert a comma "," and "alternative schools and programs,"

AMENDMENT NO. 20

On page 6, below line 29, insert:

"(4) The enrollment system shall not assign a child to any school system, charter, or Recovery School District school. If a student's parent or legal guardian fails to choose a school through the enrollment system, the school system shall assign the student to a school with excess capacity."

AMENDMENT NO. 21

On page 7, at the end of line 2, delete "chief executive" and at the beginning of line 3, delete "officer." and insert in lieu thereof "leader."

AMENDMENT NO. 22

On page 7, delete lines 14 through 24 and insert in lieu thereof:

"(3) Creating and maintaining an environment conducive to learning by creation and implementation of policies and procedures related to student discipline and to health and safety for students, teachers, and other school personnel.

(4) Serving as the school's instructional leader, tailoring instructional activities to the unique needs of the school's student population, including development or purchase of a standards-based school curriculum and related training, determining and implementing instruction methods, materials, and

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support, choosing examinations and assessments except as otherwise required by law, determining the school schedule, engaging instructional staff in sharing information, analyzing outcomes, and directing improvement, and providing feedback to instructional staff in the form of data and evaluations.

(5) Managing school resources and procurement to address the unique needs of the school's student population, tailoring purchases of materials, products and services and managing other resources as appropriate for fostering positive student outcomes. Principals may work collaboratively, pooling resources and funds to jointly procure such materials, products, and services.

(6) Providing public information about the school through news media and other forms of communication to the school's community."

AMENDMENT NO. 23

On page 7, line 25, change "(12) Compliance" to "(7) Complying"

AMENDMENT NO. 24

On page 7, between lines 25 and 26, insert:

"B. Principals may opt out of school system-provided support services as provided in R.S. 17:133(D)(10)."

AMENDMENT NO. 25

On page 7, at the beginning of line 26, change "B." to "C."

AMENDMENT NO. 26

On page 8, line 2, after "examinations," and before "the American" change "including but not limited to" to "such as"

AMENDMENT NO. 27

On page 8, between lines 14 and 15, insert:

"D. Principals may work collaboratively, pooling and sharing assets and resources including but not limited to:

(1) Funds.

(2) Personnel.

(3) Professional development tools.

(4) Instructional materials.

(5) Assessment tools or services.

(6) Learning technologies."

AMENDMENT NO. 28

On page 8, line 18, between "zone." and "A" insert "Councils shall be advisory only."

AMENDMENT NO. 29

On page 8, line 19, after "shall" delete the remainder of the line and insert in lieu thereof "have an advisory role, supporting principals by acting as an advocate for schools and engaging"

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AMENDMENT NO. 30

On page 9, at the end of line 1, change "eleven" to "fifteen"

AMENDMENT NO. 31

On page 9, line 6, between "zone." and "member" delete "No" and insert in lieu thereof "In addition to the parent, guardian, community and business members, one teacher and one principal currently employed at a school or schools within the enrollment zone shall serve as members of the council. However, no other"

AMENDMENT NO. 32

On page 9, delete lines 18 and 19 and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"Section 2. The local school board of a large school system subject to the provisions of this Act shall require the superintendent of the school system to prepare for implementation of the provisions of this Act by July 1, 2017. The local school board shall require the superintendent to complete a plan for implementation of this Act and file a copy of the plan with the school board not later than August 1, 2015. The plan shall include provisions for implementation of all requirements of this Act and shall also include provisions for training for principals relative to principal empowerment. The plan may include provisions for implementation phases for particular provisions of the Act. Upon filing of the plan with the school board, the superintendent shall begin implementation.

Section 3. The provisions of this Act shall become effective on August 1, 2014. The Act shall be fully implemented not later than July 1, 2017."

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