

SENATE BILL NO. 89

BY SENATOR BISHOP AND REPRESENTATIVES BOUIE, BRASS AND SMITH

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 17:3991(A)(1)(b) and (c)(iii), and to enact R.S.
3 17:3991(A)(1)(c)(iv), relative to the membership of a charter school governing or
4 management board; to provide relative to the composition of such board; to provide
5 for exemptions relative to charter school board members; and to provide for related
6 matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 17:3991(A)(1)(b) and (c)(iii) are hereby amended and reenacted and
9 R.S. 17:3991(A)(1)(c)(iv) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

10 §3991. Charter schools; requirements; limitations; renewal; amendment; revocation;

11 **board membership**

12 A.(1)(a) * * *

13 (b)(i) Should a charter school be established with a governing or
14 management board, the members of such shall receive no compensation other than
15 reimbursement of actual expenses incurred while fulfilling duties as a member of
16 such a board.

17 **(ii) Notwithstanding any provision of Chapter 15 of Title 42 of the**
18 **Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 or any other law to the contrary, a member**
19 **of a charter school governing or management board may serve as an officer,**
20 **director, or employee, whether compensated or not, of any national or state**

1 bank; however, he shall recuse himself from voting in favor of any such bank
 2 and shall disclose the reason for such recusal by filing a statement of the reason
 3 into the minutes or record of the charter school governing or management
 4 board and by forwarding a disclosure form to the Board of Ethics.

5 (c)(i) * * *

6 (iii) ~~Each charter school shall be in full compliance with the provisions of this~~
 7 ~~Subparagraph by not later than January 1, 2004.~~ Beginning October 1, 2018, the
 8 membership of the governing or management board of each charter school
 9 located in a parish with a population of between three hundred twenty-five
 10 thousand and three hundred seventy-five thousand persons, based on the most
 11 recent federal decennial census, shall include at least one member who is a
 12 parent, legal guardian, or grandparent of a student enrolled in the charter
 13 school or an alumnus of the school, who may be appointed or elected. Each
 14 charter school governing or management board shall adopt a policy prescribing
 15 the process and timelines for either appointing or electing a parent, legal
 16 guardian, or grandparent of a student or an alumnus of the school to the board.
 17 The policy shall be provided to the parents of each child enrolled in the school
 18 and published on the school's website.

19 (iv) Beginning with the 2019-2020 school year, the governing or
 20 management board of each charter school, other than a Type 2 charter school,
 21 located in a parish with a population of between three hundred twenty-five
 22 thousand and three hundred seventy-five thousand persons, based on the most
 23 recent federal decennial census, shall be representative of the community in
 24 which the charter school is located by race and gender to ensure diversity, and
 25 no fewer than sixty percent of its members shall reside in the parish in which
 26 the school is located.

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28 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
 29 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
 30 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If

1 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
2 effective on the day following such approval.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____