
HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

2021 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Appropriations to Engrossed House Bill No. 85 by Representative McKnight

1 AMENDMENT NO. 12 On page 2, line 19, after "their" and before "eligibility" insert "initial and continued"3 AMENDMENT NO. 24 On page 2, at the end of line 20, insert "The department shall establish minimum criteria by
5 which approved providers shall be evaluated to ensure program effectiveness in improving
6 students' reading abilities, including but not limited to performance on approved literacy
7 screeners and the Louisiana Educational Assessment Program state assessment. Providers
8 that fail to demonstrate improvement in students' reading abilities for two consecutive years
9 shall be deemed ineligible to participate in the program."10 AMENDMENT NO. 3

11 On page 3, delete lines 7 and 8 and insert the following:

12 "(a) Books for home use, including electronic or digital books and
13 subscriptions to online book clubs; however, such costs shall not exceed two
14 hundred fifty dollars per school year.15 (b) Instructional materials and curriculum, including but not limited
16 to online materials, that have been reviewed in accordance with R.S.
17 17:351.1 and have been determined to fully align with state academic content
18 standards."19 AMENDMENT NO. 420 On page 3, line 10, after "valid" and before "teaching" delete "Louisiana"21 AMENDMENT NO. 5

22 On page 3, delete lines 16 through 19 in their entirety

23 AMENDMENT NO. 6

24 On page 4, between lines 6 and 7, insert the following:

25 "(5) A report relative to the performance of each provider and overall
26 program performance with respect to improving participants' reading
27 abilities."28 AMENDMENT NO. 729 On page 4, line 7, between "H." and "The department" insert "Implementation of the
30 program is subject to the appropriation of funds for such purpose."31 AMENDMENT NO. 8

32 On page 4, after line 9, insert the following:

33 "Section 2. The state Department of Education shall provide a
34 written report to the House Committee on Education and the Senate

1 Committee on Education not later than sixty days prior to the beginning of
2 the 2022 Regular Session of the Legislature relative to the feasibility of
3 providing state- approved early literacy training to persons who do not meet
4 the requirements of Subparagraph (F)(1)(c) of R.S. 17:4032.1 as enacted by
5 this Act in order to equip them with the knowledge and skills necessary to
6 serve as effective providers of tutoring services for the program.

7 Section 3. If the Act that originated as Senate Bill No. 216 of the
8 2021 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature is enacted and becomes
9 effective, the state Department of Education shall ensure that any person who
10 provides tutoring services through this program successfully completes and
11 provides documentation of successful completion of the early literacy
12 professional development course required by such Act not later than
13 December 31, 2023."