

2026 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 272

BY REPRESENTATIVE CARVER

STUDENTS: Expands student eligibility for participation in the R.E.A.D. (Reading Enrichment and Academic Deliverables) program

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 17:4033.1(B)(introductory paragraph) and to enact R.S.
3 17:4033.1(B)(5) and (C)(7), relative to the R.E.A.D. (Reading Enrichment and
4 Academic Deliverables) Program; to expand student eligibility to include all students
5 enrolled in certain schools; to require the state Department of Education to provide
6 for the shipment of books to such schools; to require such schools to distribute books
7 and materials to students; to require the department to make determinations relative
8 to such materials; and to provide for related matters.

9 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

10 Section 1. R.S. 17:4033.1(B)(introductory paragraph) is hereby amended and
11 reenacted and R.S. 17:4033.1(B)(5) and (C)(7) are hereby enacted to read as follows:

12 §4033.1. R.E.A.D. Program; establishment; student eligibility; administration;
13 funding

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15 B. A public school student who falls into at least one of the following
16 categories is eligible to participate in the program:

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18 (5) The student is enrolled in an elementary school that received a school
19 performance letter grade of "D" or "F" for the most recent school year pursuant to
20 the school and district accountability system as provided in R.S. 17:10.1.

