
DIGEST

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Wyble

Abstract: Creates the La. Commission on Foundational Education and abolishes the La. Literacy Advisory Commission.

Proposed law creates the La. Commission on Foundational Education for the purpose of evaluating and making recommendations to improve foundational education policy. Provides for 19 members and their terms, commission meeting details, and commission powers and duties. Requires the state superintendent of education to call the first meeting by Sept. 15, 2026. Provides for staff support by the state Dept. of Education (DOE). Requires a report by March first annually to the House and Senate education committees, governor, and State Bd. of Elementary and Secondary Education.

Present law establishes the La. Literacy Advisory Commission for the purpose of providing recommendations for improving, strengthening, and supporting literacy and provides for staff support by DOE. Proposed law repeals present law and requires the department to provide for the transfer of this commission's records to the proposed law commission.

(Amends R.S. 36:651(F)(8); Adds R.S. 17:410.21; Repeals R.S. 17:410.11)