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HB No. 346

Abstract: Requires approval by the House and Senate education committees of changes to the school performance score ranges in order for such changes to be implemented as part of the school and district accountability system.

<u>Present law</u> requires the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) to provide for a statewide system of accountability for schools and school districts based on student achievement and minimum standards for the approval of schools. Provides that it shall include, at a minimum, clear and appropriate standards for schools and school districts, indicators for the assessment of schools and school districts, student achievement baselines, student growth targets, and appropriate minimum levels of student achievement for each public school and school district, rewards and corrective actions, specific intervals for assessment and reassessment of schools and school districts, a review process for evaluating growth targets, and technical assistance. Provides that such system shall be based, in part, on growth in student achievement using a value-added assessment model as determined by BESE.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and adds that any change made in the school performance score ranges pursuant to the school and district accountability system may be implemented only if the change is approved by the House and Senate education committees.

Effective July 1, 2013.

(Amends R.S. 17:10.1(B))