2017 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 616

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BY REPRESENTATIVE THOMAS

2 To enact R.S. 17:24.4(F)(6) and (7), relative to student assessments; to limit the amount of 3 time public school students spend on standards-based assessments; to provide that 4 such limitations shall not affect accommodations provided to certain students; to 5 require review by public school governing authorities relative to certain other 6 assessments; to exclude certain tests from such required review; and to provide for 7 related matters. 8 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana: 9 Section 1. R.S. 17:24.4(F)(6) and (7) are hereby enacted to read as follows: 10 §24.4. Louisiana Competency-Based Education Program; statewide standards for 11 required subjects; Louisiana Educational Assessment Program; parish or city 12 school board comprehensive pupil progression plans; waivers 13 14 F. 15 16 (6) The amount of time public school students spend taking standards-based 17 assessments per school year shall not exceed two percent of the minimum number 18 of instructional minutes per year as required in R.S. 17:154.1(A)(1). This time 19 limitation shall not affect in any way the accommodations provided to a student with 20 an exceptionality as defined in R.S. 17:1942 or a student who has been determined 21 to be eligible for services under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and 22 has an Individual Accommodation Plan and any extra time provided to such students 23 shall not be factored into the two percent limitation. Nor shall this time limitation

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HB NO. 616 **ENROLLED** 1 apply to college entrance and college credit exams, Advanced Placement exams, 2 International Baccalaureate exams, and industry-based credential exams. 3 (7)(a) Each public school governing authority shall review all benchmarks and interim assessments on a regular basis to ensure that all of the following are met: 4 (i) The benchmarks and assessments are aligned with the appropriate state 5 6 content standards. 7 (ii) The results of the assessments have an identified use related to improving 8 instruction. 9 (iii) The results of the assessments are made available to a parent upon 10 request of the parent. 11 (iv) The time associated with the administration of the assessments is 12 minimized in order to maximize instructional time throughout the school year. 13 (b) For purposes of this Paragraph, "interim assessments" shall mean 14 assessments required by a public school governing authority to measure student 15 learning throughout the school year. 16 SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: ____