

2020 Second Extraordinary Session

SENATE BILL NO. 31

BY SENATOR FIELDS

EDUCATION ACCOUNTABILITY. Prohibits use of statewide student assessments conducted during the 2020-2021 school year for the purposes of evaluating teacher performance, making student placement decisions, or calculating school and district performance scores and letter grades. (gov sig) (Item #42)

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 17:3997(D)(2) and to enact R.S. 17:24.4(F)(1)(i) and 3902(E),
3 relative to elementary and secondary education; to provide relative to the use of
4 statewide student assessments for the 2020-2021 school year; and to provide for
5 related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 17:3997(D)(2) is hereby amended and reenacted, and R.S.
8 17:24.4(F)(1)(i) and 3902(E) are hereby enacted to read as follows:

9 §24.4. Louisiana Competency-Based Education Program; statewide standards for
10 required subjects; Louisiana Educational Assessment Program; parish
11 or city school board comprehensive pupil progression plans; waivers

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13 F.(1)(a) * * *

14 (i) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, for the
15 2020-2021 school year, the board shall examine the results from student
16 assessments and school-level test data but shall not use such assessments and
17 data for purposes of evaluating teacher performance, making placement

1 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
 2 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
 3 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
 4 effective on the day following such approval.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Cheryl Serrett.

DIGEST

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Present law requires that student assessments be conducted and student achievement and student growth data be used in evaluating teachers, schools, and school districts.

Proposed law retains present law and additionally provides that notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, for the 2020-2021 school year, the results from student assessments shall not be used for student progression, teacher evaluations, or school or district performance scores or letter grades.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 17:3997(D)(2); adds R.S. 17:24.4(F)(1)(i) and 3902(E))