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HB 792 Engrossed

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Abstract: Provides relative to literacy services for certain public school students in 6th through 12th grade.

<u>Proposed law</u> creates opportunities for certain public school students in 6th through the 12th grade to receive literacy instruction and reading support services.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that public school students, including those at alternative schools and alternative educational settings, who are in both of the following categories are eligible:

- (1) Enrolled in the sixth through 12th grade.
- (2) Read below grade level.

Proposed law requires the state Dept. of Education to:

- (1) Develop an application process and accept applications for service providers.
- (2) Evaluate service providers for eligibility.
- (3) Annually report to the House and Senate education committees regarding services rendered.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires public school governing authorities to notify the parents or legal guardians of eligible students of the services available.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires school districts to include <u>proposed law</u> purposes in their Education Excellence Fund or to use federal, state, or local funds to carry out <u>proposed law</u>.

(Adds R.S. 17:182)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Education to the original bill:

- 1. Remove eligibility requirement that students are above the average age for their grade.
- 2. Specify that students in alternative schools and alternative educational placements may

be eligible students.