

HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Education to Original House Bill No. 373
by Representative Guinn

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, after "R.S." and before "relative" delete "17:24.8(A) and 222(A) and (C)," and insert "17:24.8 and 222(C),"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 3, after "at" and before "elementary" insert "nonpublic"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 4, after "minimum" and before "at" change "ages" to "age"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, line 5, after "prekindergarten" delete the remainder of the line and insert "at nonpublic schools; to provide for rules and regulations; and"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 1, line 8, after "R.S." and before "are" delete "17:24.8(A) and 222(A) and (C)" and insert "17:24.8 and 222(C)"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 1, line 11, after "board" delete the remainder of the line and at the beginning of line 12, delete "nonpublic elementary school"

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 1, at the beginning of line 14, before "shall" delete "Section" and insert "Subsection"

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 1, line 14, after "be" and before "years" change "three" to "two"

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 1, between lines 16 and 17, insert the following:

"B. (1) The governing authority of any approved nonpublic elementary school may develop and offer prekindergarten instruction. The youngest age at which a child may enter prekindergarten provided for by this Subsection shall be three years old by September thirtieth of the year in which the child enrolls in prekindergarten.

(2) The State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education, in consultation with the Nonpublic School Commission, shall adopt rules and regulations to protect the health and safety of three-year-old children who attend prekindergarten at an approved nonpublic elementary school.

C. The goal of prekindergarten instruction shall be to improve academic readiness, individual development skills, and social skills. Prior

1 to implementing prekindergarten instruction, a city, parish, or other local
2 public school board and the governing authority of an approved nonpublic
3 elementary school shall set forth a statement of the needs the program is
4 intended to address, the anticipated results, and the basis upon which such
5 results are expected, an outline of implementation steps, a detailed plan for
6 staff usage, a detailed budget, and a plan for evaluation of the program
7 results and an explanation thereof."

8 AMENDMENT NO. 10

9 On page 1, delete lines 19 and 20, and on page 2, delete lines 1 and 2