

Regular Session, 2011

SENATE BILL NO. 216

BY SENATOR MORRELL

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

SCHOOLS. Provides for the creation of community outreach plan for schools in the Recovery School District. (gov sig)

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AN ACT

To enact R.S. 17:1990(I), relative to the Recovery School District; to provide for the creation of a community outreach plan for schools within the district; to provide for the submission of such plan to the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education and the appropriate legislative committees; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 17:1990(I) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§1990. Recovery School District; creation; governance; operation

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**I.(1) The superintendent of the Recovery School District shall develop a community outreach plan to engage parents and community leaders in the successful operation and academic improvement of all schools under its jurisdiction and to solicit input on any proposed changes in school governance regarding the establishment of any new school site.**

**(2) The plan shall be submitted to the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education and the Senate and House committees on education not**

1           **later than September 30, 2011, and shall be implemented for use in the 2011-**  
 2           **2012 school year and thereafter.**

3           Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not  
 4 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature  
 5 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If  
 6 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become  
 7 effective on the day following such approval.

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part  
 of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Jeanne C. Johnston.

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#### DIGEST

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Proposed law requires the superintendent of the Recovery School District to develop a community outreach plan to engage parents and community leaders in the successful operation and academic improvement of all schools under its jurisdiction and to solicit input on any proposed changes in school governance regarding the establishment of any new school site. Provides that the plan be submitted to BESE and the Senate and House committees on education not later than September 30, 2011. Further provides that the plan shall be implemented for use in the 2011-2012 school year and thereafter.

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

(Adds R.S. 17:1990(I))

#### Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

##### Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Education to the original bill.

1. Removes requirement that a community advisory board be established for each RSD school and that such boards be consulted prior to decision-making with regard to certain schools.
2. Removes prohibition against BESE approving certain RSD charters.
3. Requires the RSD supt. to develop and implement a community outreach plan for RSD schools.