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## DIGEST

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HB No. 180

**Abstract:** Authorizes the extension of Montessori school programs through high school.

Present law provides with respect to Montessori schools and teachers. Further provides requirements with respect to school certification, admission policies, environment, and the Junior School program.

Present law provides that the Montessori Junior School begins at six years of age and continues through the age of 14, approximately. Further provides that the junior school encompasses the child's learning experience from kindergarten to high school.

Proposed law provides that a Montessori program may include students through age 18 and that the junior school encompasses the child's learning experience from kindergarten through high school. Otherwise retains present law.

(Amends R.S. 17:3402(D)(1))