

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 416

BY REPRESENTATIVE MARINO

STUDENTS: Provides relative to screening of students for dyslexia and other impediments to learning

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 17:392.1(F)(1)(introductory paragraph) and (2) and to enact R.S.
3 17:392.1(F)(3) and 3996(B)(67), relative to screening of public school students for
4 impediments to learning; to provide relative to reports to the state Department of
5 Education and to the legislature regarding students with dyslexia; and to provide for
6 related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 17:392.1(F)(1)(introductory paragraph) and (2) are hereby amended
9 and reenacted and R.S. 17:392.1(F)(3) and 3996(B)(67) are hereby enacted to read as
10 follows:

11 §392.1. Screening and intervention; purpose; applicability; city and parish school
12 system; duties

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14 F.(1) Each public school governing authority shall submit a report to the
15 state Department of Education by ~~October thirty-first~~ December fifteenth annually
16 relative to the occurrence of dyslexia. The report shall include numbers of students
17 of all grade levels identified as dyslexic, either pursuant to the provisions of this
18 Section or R.S. 17:2112, and shall include, per grade, all of the following:

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- (1) Dyslexia and related disorders.
- (2) Attention deficit disorder.
- (3) Social and environmental factors that put a child at risk of dropping out of school.

Present law requires that services be provided to a student found to be in need of services by such screening.

Proposed law specifies that present law is applicable to charter schools.

Present law requires public school governing authorities to report to the state Dept. of Education relative to certain groups of students identified as having dyslexia, disaggregated by grade and type of education plan, by Oct. 31st annually. Proposed law moves reporting deadline to Dec. 15th.

Proposed law requires the reporting of the number of students to be expressed as one of the following:

- (1) Zero.
- (2) A range from one to 10.
- (3) The exact number of cases if the number is above 10.

Proposed law specifies that proposed law applies to charter schools.

Present law requires the department to submit a cumulative report to the legislative education committees by Dec. 1st annually. Proposed law moves reporting deadline to March 1st.

(Amends R.S. 17:392.1(F)(1)(intro. para.) and (2); Adds R.S. 17:392.1(F)(3) and 3996(B)(67))