

2017 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 546

BY REPRESENTATIVE HAVARD

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

SCHOOLS: Provides relative to exemptions from laws, rules, and regulations applicable to public school boards and the schools and employees under the jurisdiction of each with certain exceptions

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 17:81.1 and 3996(A)(18) and (B)(44), relative to public schools including
3 charter schools; to exempt city, parish, and other local public school boards and the
4 schools and employees under the jurisdiction of each from applicable laws, rules, and
5 regulations; to provide exceptions; to provide that laws, rules, and regulations
6 relative to retirement shall apply to charter schools, officers, and employees; to
7 provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

8 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

9 Section 1. R.S. 17:81.1 and 3996(A)(18) and (B)(44) are hereby enacted to read as
10 follows:

11 §81.1. School boards, schools, and employees; exemptions from laws, rules, and
12 regulations; exceptions

13 A. Except as otherwise provided in this Subsection, a city, parish, or other
14 local public school board and the schools and employees under its jurisdiction shall
15 be exempt from all statutory mandates and all rules and regulations of the State
16 Board of Elementary and Secondary Education that are applicable to the local school
17 board and the schools and employees under its jurisdiction except for the following:

18 (1) Part II of Chapter 1 of Title 17 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950.

1 Chapter and its approved charter and the school's officers and employees shall be
2 exempt from all statutory mandates or other statutory requirements that are
3 applicable to public schools and to public school officers and employees except for
4 the following laws otherwise applicable to public schools with the same grades:

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6 (44) Teacher and school employee retirement, Subtitle II of Chapter 2 and
7 Subtitle II of Chapter 3 of Title 11 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950.

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9 Section 2. This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2017.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Exempts city, parish, and other local public school boards and the schools and employees under the jurisdiction of each from applicable laws, rules, and regulations with certain exceptions. Provides that laws, rules, and regulations relative to retirement shall apply to charter schools, officers, and employees.

Proposed law exempts a city, parish, or other local public school board and the schools and employees under its jurisdiction from all statutory mandates and all rules and regulations of the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education that are applicable to the local school board and the schools and employees under its jurisdiction. Specifies certain exceptions to this exemption for laws, rules, and regulations relative to local superintendents, parish school boards, teacher tenure, teacher and school employee retirement, the La. Local Government Budget Act, elections, taxation, and indebtedness. Also excludes from such exemption the present law list of laws, rules, and regulations applicable to charter schools, officers, and employees.

Proposed law adds that laws, rules, and regulations relative to teacher and school employee retirement shall apply to charter schools, officers, and employees.

Effective July 1, 2017.

(Adds R.S. 17:81.1 and 3996(A)(18) and (B)(44))