

ACT No. 386

2024 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 629

BY REPRESENTATIVE PHELPS

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 17:233(B)(1)(b), relative to truancy; to provide for parental and
3 school responsibilities with respect to truant students; to provide for criminal
4 penalties; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 17:233(B)(1)(b) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §233. Cases of habitual absence or tardiness referred to juvenile or family court;
8 denial or suspension of driving privileges; parental responsibilities

9 * * *

10 B.(1)

11 * * *

12 (b)(i) The parent or legal guardian of a student shall enforce the attendance
13 of the student at the school to which the student is assigned. The parent or legal
14 guardian of a truant student shall ensure that the student makes up missed school
15 work by attending after-school tutoring sessions, weekend make-up classes, or other
16 remediation opportunities, as determined by the school board until the students has
17 caught up with his school work. The parent shall also attend meetings at the school
18 on at least a monthly basis relative to the student's progress until the student has
19 caught up on his missed school work and any assistance fair conducted by the school
20 district that provides information on supports available to families. Failure to
21 comply with the provisions of this Item may subject a parent to the penalties
22 provided in R.S. 14:92.2.

1 (ii) The principal of each school or his designee shall note any concerns that
2 school personnel have relative to a child's school attendance on the back of any
3 Supplemental Security Income form that the school receives relative to that child.

4 * * *

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____