

Regular Session, 2014

SENATE BILL NO. 366

BY SENATOR CROWE

BESE. Requires BESE to develop a master plan for K-12 education. (8/1/14)

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AN ACT

To enact R.S. 17:6(C), relative to the general powers of the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education; to provide for a master plan for elementary and secondary education; to provide for reports; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 17:6(C) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§6. General powers of board

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**C.(1) The State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education shall formulate and make timely revisions to a master plan for elementary and secondary education.**

**(2) At a minimum, the plan shall include a review of all strategic plans and major initiatives, currently adopted or proposed, with special emphasis on implementing technology fully into the classroom.**

**(3) The state board shall submit its plan to the legislature not later than fifteen days prior to the 2015 Regular Session of the Legislature. Thereafter, the board shall review periodically the master plan and revise as necessary to**

1            **support and maintain the public elementary and secondary education system**  
 2            **and achieve the goals established in the plan.**

3            **(4)(a) The state board shall make such recommendations for legislative**  
 4            **or gubernatorial action necessary to support the implementation of the master**  
 5            **plan.**

6            **(b) The state board shall submit an annual report to the legislature and**  
 7            **the governor regarding the status of education relative to implementation of the**  
 8            **master plan, including in such report all revisions since the last report and any**  
 9            **recommendations for legislative action.**

The original instrument was prepared by Nancy Vicknair. The following digest, which does not constitute a part of the legislative instrument, was prepared by Jeanne Johnston.

#### DIGEST

Crowe (SB 366)

Proposed law authorizes the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) to formulate and make timely revisions of a master plan for elementary and secondary education.

Proposed law provides that, at a minimum, the plan shall include a review of strategic plans and major initiatives, currently adopted or proposed, with special emphasis on implementing technology fully into the classroom.

Proposed law requires BESE to submit its plan to the legislature not later than 15 days prior to the 2015 Regular Session. Further requires BESE to review periodically the master plan and revise as necessary to support and maintain the public elementary and secondary education system and achieve the goals established in the plan.

Proposed law requires BESE to make recommendations for legislative or gubernatorial action necessary to support implementation of the master plan.

Proposed law requires BESE to report annually to the legislature regarding the status of education relative to implementation of the master plan, including in such report all revisions since the last report and any recommendations for legislative action.

Effective August 1, 2014.

(Adds R.S. 17:6(C))

#### Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

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

1. Provides that master plan include a review of all strategic plans and major initiatives instead of all plans and initiatives.