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Abstract: Relative to the La. Optical Network Infrastructure, provides for policies relative to the elective participation of school boards and for its inclusion in the statewide educational technology plan.

<u>Present law</u> requires the state Dept. of Education (DOE) to develop a statewide educational technology plan for public schools. Requires the plan to identify and utilize all available Internet bandwidth assets provided through a request for proposals process and requires the Bd. of Regents to collaborate and cooperate with DOE to develop policies and procedures for schools to access such assets through such a process. <u>Proposed law</u> additionally requires the plan to identify and utilize all such assets provided through the Bd. of Regents's La. Optical Network Infrastructure (LONI) and requires that policies and procedures authorize and provide for public school boards' elective participation in LONI.

(Amends R.S. 17:3921.2(B)(5) and (E))