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Proposed law requires each public school governing authority to establish a special education advisory council to provide advice and feedback regarding special education policies, procedures, and resources and engage in community outreach, as follows:

- (1) Each council must be created not later than January 1, 2020.
- (2) The number of members shall be determined by the school governing authority but at least 60% of the membership must be parents of students with an exceptionality, other than gifted and talented.
- (3) Each school governing authority shall seek applications for council membership from parents of students with an exceptionality, teachers, principals, paraprofessionals, and other stakeholders. In selecting council members, an effort shall be made to include parents of students in all grade levels.
- (4) Each special education advisory council shall meet at least quarterly and shall make a report to the superintendent and the school governing authority in January and August of each year regarding its activities.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Adds R.S. 17:1944.1)