

# ACT No. 411

Regular Session, 2014

HOUSE BILL NO. 407

BY REPRESENTATIVES CARTER, KATRINA JACKSON, AND SMITH AND  
SENATOR THOMPSON

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 17:221(B), relative to school attendance; to provide relative to  
3 eligibility criteria for admission or readmission to a public school; to prohibit city,  
4 parish, and other local public school boards from denying admission or readmission  
5 based on certain characteristics; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 17:221(B) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

8 §221. School attendance; compulsory ages; duty of parents; excessive absences;  
9 condition for driving privileges

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11 B.(1) No A city, parish, or other local public school board shall ~~deny grant~~  
12 admission or readmission to school ~~of to~~ any ~~student of suitable age who resides~~  
13 ~~within the geographic boundaries of the school system unless such student is legally~~  
14 ~~excluded from attending school.~~ person who meets all of the following criteria:

15 (a) Resides within the geographic boundaries of the school system.

16 (b) Meets the eligibility requirements for school entrance pursuant to R.S.  
17 17:222(A).

18 (c) Is nineteen years of age or younger on September thirtieth of the calendar  
19 year in which the school year begins or is twenty years of age on September thirtieth  
20 of the calendar year in which the school year begins and has sufficient course credits  
21 that he will be able to graduate within one school year of admission or readmission.

22 (d) Has not received a high school diploma or its equivalent.

