2017 Regular Session

ACT No. 364

HOUSE BILL NO. 616

BY REPRESENTATIVE THOMAS

1	AN ACT
2	To enact R.S. 17:24.4(F)(6) and (7), relative to student assessments; to limit the amount of
3	time public school students spend on standards-based assessments; to provide that
4	such limitations shall not affect accommodations provided to certain students; to
5	require review by public school governing authorities relative to certain other
6	assessments; to exclude certain tests from such required review; and to provide for
7	related matters.
8	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
9	Section 1. R.S. 17:24.4(F)(6) and (7) are hereby enacted to read as follows:
10	§24.4. Louisiana Competency-Based Education Program; statewide standards for
11	required subjects; Louisiana Educational Assessment Program; parish or city
12	school board comprehensive pupil progression plans; waivers
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16	(6) The amount of time public school students spend taking standards-based
17	assessments per school year shall not exceed two percent of the minimum number
18	of instructional minutes per year as required in R.S. 17:154.1(A)(1). This time
19	limitation shall not affect in any way the accommodations provided to a student with
20	an exceptionality as defined in R.S. 17:1942 or a student who has been determined
21	to be eligible for services under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and
22	has an Individual Accommodation Plan and any extra time provided to such students
23	shall not be factored into the two percent limitation. Nor shall this time limitation

HB NO. 616 **ENROLLED** 1 apply to college entrance and college credit exams, Advanced Placement exams, 2 International Baccalaureate exams, and industry-based credential exams. 3 (7)(a) Each public school governing authority shall review all benchmarks and interim assessments on a regular basis to ensure that all of the following are met: 4 (i) The benchmarks and assessments are aligned with the appropriate state 5 6 content standards. 7 (ii) The results of the assessments have an identified use related to improving 8 instruction. 9 (iii) The results of the assessments are made available to a parent upon 10 request of the parent. 11 (iv) The time associated with the administration of the assessments is 12 minimized in order to maximize instructional time throughout the school year. 13 (b) For purposes of this Paragraph, "interim assessments" shall mean 14 assessments required by a public school governing authority to measure student 15 learning throughout the school year. 16 SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: ____