HOUSE BILL NO. 729

BY REPRESENTATIVES CARMODY AND KATZ

1	AN ACT		
2	To amend and reenact R.S. 41:892(C), (D), and (E) and to enact R.S. 41:892(F), relative to		
3	surplus property of school boards; to provide relative to the minimum bid which may		
4	be accepted when a school board attempts to sell such property; and to provide for		
5	related matters.		
6	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:		
7	Section 1. R.S. 41:892(C), (D), and (E) are hereby amended and reenacted and R.S.		
8	41:892(F) is hereby enacted to read as follows:		
9	§892. Procedure; deed of sale		
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11	C. On the day named in the advertisement, the property shall be sold at		
12	public auction at the school board office, between the hours of eleven o'clock A.M.		
13	a.m. and four o'clock P.M. p.m., with appraisement, to the last and highest bidder,		
14	upon such terms and conditions as the school board shall determine. The deeds shall		
15	contain the usual security clauses and a stipulation to pay ten per cent percent		
16	attorney's attorney fees in the event it becomes necessary to secure the services of		
17	an attorney for the purpose of collection. In the event If the highest bid received is		
18	not equal to or greater than the appraisement of the property minimum bid as		
19	provided in Subsection E of this Section, the sale shall be cancelled and no bid shall		
20	be accepted.		
21	D. On the date named in the advertisement if the property is to be sold under		
22	sealed bids, the bids shall be opened in the offices of the school board at the hour		
23	designated in the advertisement. The property shall be sold to the highest bidder		
24	upon such terms and conditions as the school board shall determine. The deed shall		

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attorney's attorney fees in the event it becomes necessary to secure the services of an attorney for the purpose of collection. The school board shall reserve the right to reject any and all bids, and all bids shall be rejected in the event if the highest bid received is not equal to or greater than the appraised value of the property to be sold minimum bid as provided in Subsection E of this Section.

- E.(1) The first time a school board offers a particular property for sale pursuant to this Section, the minimum bid shall be eighty-five percent of the appraised value of the property.
- (2) If the school board fails to sell the property because the maximum bid received was not equal to or greater than the minimum bid established in Paragraph (1) of this Subsection, the school board may make a second effort to sell the property following the procedures outlined in this Section. The minimum bid for a second effort to sell the same property shall be eighty percent of the appraised value.
- (3) If the school board has twice failed to sell property because the maximum bid received was not equal to or greater than the minimum bid otherwise provided in this Subsection, there shall be no minimum bid at the third effort to sell the property, and the school board may sell the property to the highest bidder as otherwise provided by this Section.

<u>F.</u> The deed of the president of the school board shall be full and complete evidence of the sale, shall convey a good and valid title to the property sold, and shall have the force and effect of a notarial act.

Section 2. This Act shall be applied prospectively only. No sale attempted prior to the effective date of this Act or for which notice as required by R.S. 41:892(B) has been given at least once prior to the effective date of this Act constitutes an effort to sell as contemplated by R.S. 41:892(E) as amended by this Act.

Section 3. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature by the governor, as provided in Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If

1	vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become	
2	effective on the day following such approval.	
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