

2016 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 275

BY SENATORS MIZELL AND BISHOP AND REPRESENTATIVE HUNTER

CURRICULA. Requires cursive writing be taught in public schools. (gov sig)

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AN ACT

To enact R.S. 17:266, relative to required courses of instruction; to require that cursive writing be taught in public schools; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 17:266 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§266. Cursive writing; required instruction

Beginning with the 2016-2017 school year, cursive writing shall be taught in all public schools. Each public school shall ensure that such instruction is introduced by the third grade and incorporated into the curriculum in grades four through twelve.

Section 2. 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 by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become effective on the day following such approval.

The original instrument was prepared by Cheryl M. Serrett. The following digest, which does not constitute a part of the legislative instrument, was prepared by Jeanne C. Johnston.

DIGEST

Proposed law provides that, beginning with the 2016-2017 school year, cursive writing shall be taught in all public schools. Requires each public school to ensure that such instruction is introduced by the third grade and incorporated into the curriculum in grades four through twelve.

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

(Adds R.S. 17:266)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Education to the original bill

1. Requires that instruction in cursive writing be introduced by third grade and incorporated into the curriculum in grades four through twelve.