

2022 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 299

BY SENATOR BARROW

BESE. Prohibits the chartering authority from approving or renewing charters of charter schools until the legislative auditor conducts certain performance audits. (gov sig)

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 17:3982.1, relative to charter schools; to provide for the suspension and
3 reinstatement of chartering authority; to provide for certain performance audits
4 conducted by the legislative auditor; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 17:3982.1 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 **§3982.1. Suspension of chartering authority; legislative auditor review**

8 **After July 1, 2022, a chartering authority shall not authorize a new**
9 **charter or renew an existing charter until the legislative auditor has conducted**
10 **a performance audit of each charter school approved by the chartering**
11 **authority and has determined that the school is in substantial compliance with**
12 **the provisions of this Chapter, including R.S. 17:3972, and are performing as**
13 **well as or better than the schools in the local public school system.**

14 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
15 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
16 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
17 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become

