

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 68

BY SENATOR BISHOP

A RESOLUTION

To urge and request the governing or management board of each charter school to include in its membership at least one parent or legal guardian of a student enrolled in the school who shall be elected by the parents or legal guardians representing at least a majority of the students attending the school.

WHEREAS, greater parental involvement has been routinely shown to increase both student performance and parental satisfaction; and

WHEREAS, parental choice is seen as one of the cornerstones of the development of charter schools; and

WHEREAS, the Every Student Succeeds Act provides for parent and family engagement; and

WHEREAS, R.S. 17:3991 requires that each school's charter address policies, programs, and practices to ensure parental involvement; and

WHEREAS, a school's governing or management board establishes policies that govern the school's operations and determines the school's instructional environment.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request the governing or management board of each charter school to include in its membership at least one parent or guardian of a student enrolled in the school.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the parent representative on the board shall be elected by the parents or legal guardians representing at least a majority of the students attending the school.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the president of the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education, the state superintendent of education, and the executive director of the Louisiana Association of Public Charter Schools.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE