

Joint Committee on Education

Minutes of Meeting
2017 Second Extraordinary Session
November 9, 2017

I. CALL TO ORDER

Senator Dan W. "Blade" Morrish, chairman of the Joint Committee on Education, called the meeting to order at 1:52 p.m. in Room 1, in the state capitol in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

II. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Representative Nancy Landry, chairman
Representative Beryl A. Amedée
Representative Chris Broadwater
Representative Stephen F. Carter
Representative Rick Edmonds
Representative Julie Emerson
Representative Reid Falconer
Representative Jeffrey "Jeff" Hall
Representative Walt Leger, III
Representative Scott M. Simon
Representative Patricia Haynes Smith
Representative Polly Thomas
Senator Dan W. "Blade" Morrish, chairman
Senator Conrad Appel
Senator Gerald Boudreaux
Senator Beth Mizell
Senator Mack A. "Bodi" White, Jr.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Senator Joseph Bouie, Jr.
Representative Stephanie Hilferty
Senator John Milkovich, co-chairman
Senator Michael A. Walsworth

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:House

Nancy Jolly, senior legislative analyst
Elizabeth Borné, senior legislative analyst
Jackie Snowden, secretary

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Cheryl Serrett, legislative analyst
Jeanne Johnston, chief legislative researcher
Aimee Richard, committee secretary

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES PRESENT:

Danny Leming, sergeant at arms

III. DISCUSSION**To consider emergency rules submitted by the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) to revise "Bulletin 139-Louisiana Child Care and Development Fund Programs" relative to School Readiness Tax Credits**

Erin Bendily, Louisiana Department of Education and BESE, Claiborne Building, 1201 North 3rd Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, explained proposed revisions to "Bulletin 139-Louisiana Child Care and Development Fund Programs: Section 903. Participation in LA Pathways", which is included in the records of this meeting and labeled Exhibit A.

Lisa Brachard, chief of staff, Early Childhood Division, Louisiana Department of Education, Claiborne Building, 1201 North 3rd Street, (225) 921-4917, explained the handout, "School Readiness Tax Credit Revisions Pursuant to SR 209 and HR 217 of 2017", which is included in the records of this meeting and labeled Exhibit B.

Cindy Bishop, Child Care of Louisiana, P.O. Box 80053, Baton Rouge, LA 70898, spoke in support of the revisions.

Senator Morrish offered a motion to approve BESE actions to adopt emergency rules and pursue a permanent and final rule for Bulletin 139, Section 903. Without objection, the motion passed by a vote of 17 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Nancy Landry, Amedee, Broadwater, Steve Carter, Edmonds, Emerson, Falconer, Hall, Leger, Simon, Smith, and Thomas voted yea. Senators Morrish, Appel, Boudreaux, Mizell, and White voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 2 in support. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

IV. CONSIDERATION OF ANY OTHER MATTERS THAT MAY COME BEFORE THE COMMITTEE

There were no other matters.

V. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 2:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Co-Chairman Nancy Landry
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Date adopted: