Committee on Education

Will meet at: 9:00 AM Date: May 13, 2008

Location: Committee Room 1

Remarks:

HB 583  RICHARDSON  PUBLIC BUILDINGS/GROUNDS Authorizes the Central Community School Board to exchange certain property and provides procedures for approval of such an exchange

HB 720  SMITH, JANE  TEACHERS/CERTIFICATION Provides relative to requirements for granting certification to French immersion teachers

HB 1037  TRAHAN  TEACHERS/SALARY SCHEDULE Provides relative to salary differential amounts for teachers having certain advanced degree

HB 1060  HILL  TEACHERS/CERTIFICATION Exempts certain individuals who meet specified criteria from taking the examination required for teacher certification

HB 1256  DOWNS  SCHOOLS/BOARDS Provides relative to training and instruction for public school board members and requires that a certain number of hours focus on certain topics

HB 1261  HINES  HEALTH Prohibits K-12 public schools from serving to students food containing trans fat

HB 1278  WADDELL  STUDENT/LOANS-SCHOLARSHIP Permits use of a TOPS-Tech Award at certain schools having a certificate of registration issued by the Bd. of Cosmetology and proprietary schools licensed by the Bd. of Regents

HB 1303  RICHMOND  STUDENT/ASSESSMENT Requires BESE to establish a procedure for the state supt. of education to grant a waiver allowing the grade level promotion of certain students under certain circumstances

HCR 76  GUILLORY, MICKEY  BESE Requests BESE to study the effectiveness of the Dolly Parton Imagination Library in improving literacy among the state's preschool children and to submit a written report to the House and Senate education committees prior to the 2009 R.S.

HCR 77  MORRIS  SCHOOLS/EMPLOYEES Requests BESE to study the national board certification processes for certain school employees
HCR 100  LAFONTA  STUDENT/ASSESSMENT  Requests BESE to study the negative effects of high stakes testing relative to the state's students, including but not limited to negative impacts on student dropout, retention, and attendance rates.

HCR 101  HOFFMANN  SCHOOLS  Requests city, parish, and other local public school boards to adopt policies recommending that classroom doors in certain schools be equipped with single action deadbolt locks that can be bolted from the inside.

HCR 114  TRAHAN (TBA)  HIGHER ED/BD REGENTS  Provides relative to the postsecondary education funding formula recommended by the Bd. of Regents (Subject to rule suspension).

HCR 115  TRAHAN (TBA)  STUDENTS  Requests BESE, in consultation with the LHSAA, to study and make recommendations relative to minimum academic eligibility requirements for student participation in interscholastic athletics and other extracurricular activities (Subject to rule suspension).

SB 360  MCPHERSON  POSTSECONDARY ED  Provides for the exclusion of certain semester hours in computing the amount due eligible nonpublic colleges and universities for educating La. residents. (gov sig)

SB 541  SMITH, JOHN  BONDS  Provides relative to the bonded debt limit of certain school districts. (gov sig)

SCR 30  DUPELSSIS  BESE  Requests BESE to study and determine the feasibility of incorporating school leadership accountability factors into the computation of School Performance Scores.

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CHAIRMAN