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ACT No. 699

HOUSE BILL NO. 421

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AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:221(B), relative to school attendance by certain students; to provide relative to the authority of a city, parish, or other local public school board to deny admission or readmission to school of certain students; to provide limitations; to delete provisions relative to a pilot program regarding school attendance; to provide an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 17:221(B) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§221. School attendance; compulsory ages; duty of parents; excessive absences; consent to withdraw; condition for driving privileges

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~~B. The state Department of Education and the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education shall establish a pilot program in three parish or city school systems selected by them for the purpose of reducing the number of children exhibiting habits of poor school attendance.~~ No city, parish, or other local public school board shall deny admission or readmission to school of any student of suitable age who resides within the geographic boundaries of the school system unless such student is legally excluded from attending school.

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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

1 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
2 effective on the day following such approval.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____