

LFT Bill Chart - 2014 Legislative Session

Bills that constitute the LFT Legislative Agenda

Bill #	Author	Description	Committee	Current Status
HB 26	Jones, Sam(D)	Constitutional amendment to require that a portion of nonrecurring revenue be applied toward reducing the balance of the unfunded accrued liability of certain state retirement systems.	House Appropriations	Filed
HB 31	Jones, Sam(D)	Provides a permanent benefit increase paid from the experience account to certain retired members and beneficiaries of the Teachers' Retirement System.	House Retirement	Filed
HB 33	Jones, Sam(D)	Provides a permanent benefit increase paid from the experience account to certain retired members and beneficiaries of the La. School Employees' Retirement System.	House Retirement	Filed
HB 35	Jones, Sam(D)	Provides a supplemental benefit increase to certain qualifying retirees and beneficiaries of the La. School Employees' Retirement System.	House Retirement	Filed
HB 82	Jones, Sam(D)	Authorizes a retired member of the Teachers' Retirement System of La. who does not have a valid teaching certificate to return to work as a substitute instructor and continue to receive retirement benefits.	House Retirement	Filed
HB 101	Edwards, John Bel(D)	Requires charter school teachers to meet same certification requirements as other public school teachers.	House Education	Filed
HB 124	Smith, Patricia(D)	Requires charter schools to hire teachers with valid Louisiana teaching certificates, subject to availability.	House Education	Involuntarily deferred
HB 129	Havard, Kenny (R)	Prohibits a charter school from contracting with a for-profit organization to operate the charter school.	House Education	Filed

HB 181	Gaines, Randal(D) Kostelka, Bob(R)	Allows judges to examine affidavits of Dept. heads that would otherwise prevent issuing injunctions in cases in which the state is a defendant.	House Civil Law	Passed by the House, sent to Senate
HB 242	Armes, James(D)	Requires School Boards to pay school employees that serve as substitutes a wage that is at least as much as would be earned by a substitute teacher for the time they are serving as substitutes.	House Education	Passed by the House, sent to Senate
HB 268	Reynolds, Gene(D)	Requires the state Dept. of Education to develop an accountability system for nonpublic schools participating in the voucher program and requires compliance with the system by such schools.	House Education	Filed
HB 269	Reynolds, Gene(D)	Requires schools participating in the voucher program to separately account for funds received as tuition payments.	House Education	Filed
HB 322	Jones, Sam(D)	Requires BESE and other administrative bodies to publish rulemaking dockets to assist the public with involvement in the rulemaking process.	House and Governmental Affairs	Passed by the House, sent to Senate
HB 424	Thierry, Ledricka(D)	Authorizes the legislative auditor to conduct audits of not-for-profit organizations that receive scholarship awards from the Department of Education.	House and Governmental Affairs	Voluntarily deferred
HB 522	James, Ted(D)	If a school in the Recovery School District closes, the local school system regains control and use of the building and its facilities.	House Education	Filed
HB 589	Dixon, Herbert(D)	Constitutional Amendment to provide for a state minimum wage.	House Labor and Industrial Relations	Involuntarily deferred
HB 594	Price, Ed(D)	Constitutional Amendment to prevent 8(g) funds for being used for improper purposes, including for course choice initiatives.	House Education	Filed

HB 701	Edwards, John Bel(D)	Discontinues eligibility of voucher students that attend C schools, allowing only students that attend D and F schools to qualify for a Voucher to a private school.	House Education	Filed
HB 702	Edwards, John Bel(D)	Students entering kindergarten are only eligible for vouchers if the available public school received a letter grade of "D" or "F." Current law allows children for children who meet eligibility criteria, regardless of the local school's grade.	House Education	Filed
HB 703	Edwards, John Bel(D)	Prohibits the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education from authorizing charter schools that the local school board previously denied or made conditional.	House Education	Filed
HB 717	Hill, Dorothy Sue(D)	Discontinues requirement that extended sick leave be taken in 10-day minimum blocks. Provides up to 30 additional days of extended sick leave for maternal and infant health purposes.	House Education	Filed
HB 735	James, Ted(D)	Makes it easier for parents to petition for returning a failing Recovery School District school to the jurisdiction of the original local school board.	House Education	Filed
HB 890	Johnson, Robert(D)	Reconvenes the ACEE committee to examine proper use of SLTs; entitles teachers to written proof of information contained in the evaluation which they believe to be inaccurate or misrepresented.	House Education	Filed
HCR 1	Edwards, John Bel(D)	Amends administrative rules to cause La. Medicaid eligibility standards to conform to those established in the Affordable Care Act.	House Health and Welfare	Filed
HCR 2	Pierre, Vincent(D)	Strikes language in BESE policy that requires a teacher judged ineffective on one half of an evaluation to be rated "ineffective" overall.	House Education	Filed

SB 77	Nevers, Ben (D)	Constitutional Amendment to require the state to provide the opportunity to a legal resident, employed for the previous calendar year for at least one thousand hours, to participate in a state program that provides health insurance.	Senate Health and Welfare	Filed
SB 78	Kostelka, Bob(R)	Requires financial disclosure by members of charter school boards.	Senate and Governmental Affairs	Filed
SB 94	Gallot, Rick(D)	Creates a transition for teacher evaluations through 2025 that aligns with the Department's plan for transition to Common Core State Standards and Assessments over the next ten years.	Senate Education	No vote in committee
SB 143	Kostelka, Bob(R)	Makes it more difficult for a public agency to claim protection from restraining orders or injunctions by simply claiming that the action would cause a budget deficit.	Senate Judiciary (A)	Filed
SB 162	Murray, Edwin(D)	Prohibits improper sale or lease of public property by Charter Schools.	Senate Education	Filed
SB 179	Morrish, Blade(R)	Creates local school districts' right to approve or disapprove course choice providers in their own LEA.	Senate Education	Filed
SB 219	Murray, Edwin(D)	Provides for a method of return of unused RSD property to the local district.	Senate Education	Filed
SB 322	Murray, Edwin(D)	Provides relative to the "Equal Pay for Women Act".	Senate and Governmental Affairs	Filed
HB 1108	Terry Landry	Requires summons instead of arrets for school employes accused of misdemeanors	House Criminal Justice	Approved by committee
<i>NOTE: The one-liners on this chart are intended only to provide a simple explanation of the proposed law. They constitute no part of the legislative instrument or proof of the bill's legislative intent.</i>				