

# LOUISIANA STATE SENATE

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## ***SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION***

NOTICE OF MEETING  
April 24, 2008  
Upon Adjournment  
John J. Hainkel, Jr. Room

### **A G E N D A**

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

IV. LEGISLATION TO BE CONSIDERED

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| <b>SB 126</b> | <b>NEVERS</b>      | <b>SCHOOLS</b> Requires school administrators to check students' records annually to ensure immunization enforcement. (8/15/08)   |
| <b>SB 208</b> | <b>MARIONNEAUX</b> | <b>TOPS</b> Converts TOPS to a loan forgiveness program beginning with students graduating during the 2008-2009 school year and thereafter. (8/15/08)                                       |
| <b>SB 209</b> | <b>MARIONNEAUX</b> | <b>TOPS</b> Establishes a maximum household income of less than \$250,000 as a TOPS eligibility requirement, beginning with students graduating during the 2008-2009 school year. (8/15/08) |
| <b>SB 268</b> | <b>DUPLESSIS</b>   | <b>BESE</b> Prohibits renewal of the charter of a failing school unless the school meets certain criteria. (8/15/08)  |
| <b>SB 473</b> | <b>JACKSON, L.</b> | <b>SCHOOLS</b> Provides for extended sick leave for employees who are not teachers. (8/15/08)   |

- SB 475 GRAY SCHOOLS** Requires charter schools receiving transportation services from a local school board to reimburse the board for the actual cost of providing such transportation. (8/15/08)
- SB 549 CASSIDY EDUCATION DEPARTMENT** Requires, by the beginning of the 2013-2014 school year, that all children attending public schools have the opportunity to study the "critical languages" in addition to the traditional languages currently offered. (8/15/08)
- SB 632 GRAY STATE AGENCIES** Establishes and provides for the Louisiana Statewide Educational Facilities Authority. (8/15/08)
- SB 703 DORSEY POSTSECONDARY ED** Creates the Golden Scholars Award program for persons fifty-five years of age and older and provides for implementation and administration of such program. (gov sig)
- SB 719 NEVERS SCHOOLS** Provides relative to a universal dyslexia screening and intervention pilot program in grades K-3. (gov sig)
- SB 746 LONG EDUCATION DEPARTMENT** Provides eligibility for sabbatical leave to social workers, guidance counselors, and school psychologists employed by the Special School District. (8/15/08)

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

VI. ADJOURNMENT

THIS NOTICE CONTAINS A TENTATIVE AGENDA AND MAY BE REVISED PRIOR TO THE MEETING. REVISED NOTICES CAN BE CHECKED ON THE WALL OUTSIDE THE COMMITTEE ROOM IN WHICH THE MEETING IS TO BE HELD, ON THE BULLETIN BOARDS OUTSIDE THE HOUSE AND SENATE CHAMBERS (MEMORIAL HALLS), AT THE BILL ROOM IN THE BASEMENT, OR BY CALLING THE PULS LINE 342-2456.

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Ben W. Nevers, Chairman