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## *SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION*

### NOTICE OF MEETING

May 1, 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

**SB 129 NEVERS**

**STUDENTS** Requires compulsory kindergarten attendance. (gov sig)

**SB 286 DUPLESSIS**

**EARLY CHILDHOOD ED** Provides for phased in universal access to the LA 4 Early Childhood Program and for participation by non-school system providers of early childhood education. (8/15/08)

**SB 356 SCALISE**

**TOPS** Changes the name of the TOPS program to the Taylor Opportunity Program for Students. (8/15/08)

**SB 366 BROOME**

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** Revises the membership of the Research Park Corporation's board of directors. (See Act)

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| <b>SB 405</b> | <b>BROOME</b>     | <b>HUMAN DEVELOPMENT</b> Creates and provides for the Louisiana Financial Literacy and Education Commission. (8/15/08)                            |
| <b>SB 548</b> | <b>NEVERS</b>     | <b>BESE</b> Requires BESE to adopt rules requiring local school systems to conduct exit interviews for teachers who leave their employ. (gov sig) |
| <b>SB 565</b> | <b>CROWE</b>      | <b>TOPS</b> Change the name of TOPS Scholarship to the Taylor Opportunity Program Scholarship.  |
| <b>SB 706</b> | <b>CROWE</b>      | <b>EDUCATION DEPARTMENT</b> Creates the TOPS-Tech Plus Award. (gov sig)   |
| <b>SB 795</b> | <b>DUPLESSIS</b>  | <b>SECONDARY EDUCATION</b> Provides for the Student Scholarships For Educational Excellence Act. (gov sig)  |
| <b>HB 353</b> | <b>RICHARDSON</b> | <b>TAX/SALES-USE, LOCAL</b> Authorizes the Central Community School Board to levy and collect an additional sales and use tax                     |

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

**Presentation by the Department of Education on the "Ensuring Literacy for All" initiative.**

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