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## DIGEST

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HB No. 725

**Abstract:** Requires a school board to grant school employees a leave of absence, in order to be employed in a charter school, of up to five years rather than up to three years.

Present law requires a school board to grant a leave of absence, not to exceed three years, to any employee in its school system requesting such leave in order to be employed in a charter school.

Proposed law increases the maximum allowable time period for such leave of absence from three years to five years.

Present law requires, at the end of the third year of leave, an employee either to make a written request to the local school board to return to the school system in a comparable position or resign from the position from which the leave was granted.

Proposed law changes the time when an employee must take such actions from at the end of the third year of leave to at the end of the fifth year of leave.

(Amends R.S. 17:3997(B)(1) and (2)(c))