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SYNOPSIS:

Under existing law, a local board of education must provide timely notice to the parent of each student enrolled in or assigned to a priority school of all public school transfer options available to that student under the Alabama Accountability Act.

This bill would require each local board of education in a Class 1 municipality to also include in the notice information about the admissions process for magnet schools and any other public schools with competitive admissions policies in the district.

A BILL  
TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

Relating to the Alabama Accountability Act; to require local boards of education in Class 1 municipalities to provide information about certain magnet and competitive public schools to parents or guardians of students enrolled in or assigned to a priority school.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. Beginning with the 2025-2026 school year, a local board of education in a Class 1 municipality that has a



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29 school included on the annual list of priority schools shall  
30 include both of the following in the notification required to  
31 be given to parents or legal guardians of students enrolled in  
32 or assigned to that priority school by Section 16-6D-8, Code  
33 of Alabama 1975:

34 (1) That the student has the option to apply and, if he  
35 or she meets all admissions requirements and is accepted,  
36 attend a magnet school or other public school with competitive  
37 admissions within the district.

38 (2) A list of any magnet schools or other public  
39 schools with competitive admissions in the district and  
40 information about where to find admission information about  
41 each school.

42 Section 2. This act shall become effective on October  
43 1, 2024.