OVERVIEW: Sec. 7.20 of S.L. 2018-5 authorizes the Innovative School District (ISD) to act as an Innovative School (IS) operator in certain situations. If necessary, the ISD can be a temporary IS operator in the event of a contract termination, lack of a qualified IS operator, or other unforeseen emergency. If there are no other qualified IS operators, the ISD is authorized to act as an IS operator. If the State Board of Education is not able to find a qualified IS operator by the end of the third year of ISD operation, the ISD must remain the operator until the end of the fifth year and must develop a transition plan to return the school to the local school administrative unit.

This section became effective July 1, 2018.