

HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS**HB 568****2017 Regular Session****Nancy Landry**

STUDENTS: Provides relative to the collection and sharing of certain student information

Synopsis of Senate Amendments

1. The amendments add a requirement that the recipient of information pursuant to proposed law enter a memorandum of understanding providing for civil liability if information is shared in violation of present law.

Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate

Present law generally prohibits an official or employee of a city, parish, or other local public school system from providing personally identifiable student information to any member of the school board or to any other person or public or private entity.

Present law provides certain exceptions to this general prohibition including providing information to the state Dept. of Education (DOE) for the purpose of satisfying state and federal assessment, auditing, funding, monitoring, program administration, and state accountability requirements, if sufficient personally identifiable information is removed so that the remaining information alone cannot be used to identify a student. Present law authorizes officials and employees of DOE to share information it has received with a person or public or private entity outside of La. only for purposes of academic analysis of assessments.

Present law provides that most violations of present law are punishable by imprisonment for not more than six months or by a fine of not more than \$10,000.

Proposed law further authorizes DOE to share information it has received with a person who is an employee of and conducting research at a postsecondary education institution accredited by a regional or national accrediting organization recognized by the U.S. Dept. of Education if the person and the department enter a memorandum of understanding in which the person agrees to be civilly liable for the fine provided for by present law for any violation of present law.

(Amends R.S. 17:3914(C)(2)(b))