

cameras in a classroom.

- (8) Procedures regarding how a parent or legal guardian may request review of a recording, under what circumstances a request may be made, and any limitations to such requests.

Proposed law provides that recordings made pursuant to proposed law shall be confidential and shall not be public records but may be viewed by the superintendent or his designee, by the parent or legal guardian of a recorded student, or by law enforcement as provided in the policies required by proposed law.

Present law (R.S. 17:3914) prohibits school officials and employees from sharing a student's "personally identifiable information", defined, in part, as information about an individual that can be used to identify, contact, or locate him.

Proposed law retains present law but provides that recordings made pursuant to proposed law shall not be considered "personally identifiable information".

Proposed law authorizes the governing authority of each public elementary and secondary school to accept, administer, and make use of federal, state, and any local and private appropriations, any public and private grants and donations, and, when it is deemed appropriate and feasible, to accept nonmonetary funding in the form of services or equipment for use in connection with the installation and operation of the cameras.

Proposed law requires the state Department of Education to assist each school governing authority in identifying funding which may be available to assist in the installation and operation of the cameras.

Proposed law provides that as specific funding becomes available for this purpose, each public school governing authority shall implement proposed law.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 44:4.1(B)(9); adds R.S. 17:1948 and 3996(B)(59))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Education to the original bill

1. Requires policies that prohibit placement of cameras in any area designated for students to change or remove clothing.
2. Removes requirement that recordings of students other than the student of a parent/guardian requesting a viewing be redacted.

3. Requires procedures for a request to view a recording.

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Finance to the engrossed bill

1. Revises subject to appropriation language to provide that as specific funding becomes available for this purpose, each public school governing authority shall implement proposed law.