

2025 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 384

BY REPRESENTATIVES BRYANT AND CHASSION

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 17:416(C)(2)(a) and (b) and to enact R.S. 17:416(O), relative to  
3 discipline of students in public schools; to provide for discipline of certain students  
4 found to be in possession of certain substances on school property; and to provide  
5 for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 17:416(C)(2)(a) and (b) are hereby amended and reenacted and R.S.  
8 17:416(O) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

9 §416. Discipline of students; suspension; expulsion

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11 C.

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13 (2)(a)(i) Notwithstanding the provisions of Subsection B of this Section and  
14 except as provided in Item (ii) of this Subparagraph, any student in grades six  
15 through twelve who is found guilty of being in possession of a firearm, a knife with  
16 a blade equal to or in excess of two and one-half inches in length, or any illegal  
17 narcotic, drug, or other controlled substance on school property, on a school bus, or  
18 at a school-sponsored event, pursuant to a hearing as provided for by Paragraph (1)  
19 of this Subsection, shall be expelled from school for a minimum period of ~~four~~ two  
20 complete school semesters and shall be referred to the district attorney for  
21 appropriate action. However, the superintendent may modify the length of such  
22 minimum expulsion requirement on a case-by-case basis, provided that such  
23 modification is in writing.

