

2018 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 337

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SCHOOLS: Requires public school governing authorities to develop policies relative to notifying certain school visitors of crisis management and response plans

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 17:416.10(B), relative to school visitors; to require public school
3 governing authorities to develop policies relative to notifying certain school visitors
4 of crisis management and response plans; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 17:416:10(B) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §416.10. Visitor authorization; public elementary or secondary school grounds,
8 buildings, and other facilities

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10 B. Every governing authority of a public elementary or secondary school in
11 the state, ~~by not later than thirty days prior to the beginning of the 1994-1995 school~~
12 ~~year~~, shall develop and adopt written rules, regulations, and procedures for granting
13 authority to persons to go on public school grounds or in any public school building
14 or other school facility as a visitor during school hours and for notifying visitors of
15 such rules, regulations, and procedures, including but not limited to notifying visitors
16 who are volunteering at the school about the school's crisis management and
17 response plan developed pursuant to R.S. 17:416.16.

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DIGEST

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Abstract: Requires public school governing authorities to develop procedures for notifying volunteers of a school's crisis management and response plan.

Present law provides that no person shall go on public school grounds or in any school facility as a visitor during school hours without authority of the appropriate school official. Defines "visitor" to mean any person except: (1) an employee of the school or school system, (2) a member of the school or school system's governing authority, (3) a student enrolled in the school system, and (4) a parent, guardian, or other person authorized by a parent or guardian who is delivering a student to school at the beginning of the school day or is picking up a student at the end of the school day.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law requires every governing authority of a public elementary or secondary school to develop and adopt written rules, regulations, and procedures for authorizing people to go onto public school grounds as visitors. Requires notifying visitors of such rules, regulations, and procedures.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law requires each school principal to prepare a crisis management and response plan for dealing with a violent incident or emergency situation.

Proposed law requires that a visitor who is volunteering at a school be informed about the school's crisis management and response plan.

(Amends R.S. 17:416.10(B))