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HOUSE BILL NO. 13

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCCORMICK

SCHOOLS: Requires that any communication issued to students or parents relative to immunization requirements include information on exemptions from compliance with such requirements (Item #42)

1	AN ACT
2	To amend and reenact R.S. 17:170(E), relative to immunizations; to require that any
3	communication issued to students relative to immunization requirements include
4	information relative to exemption from such requirements; and to provide for related
5	matters.
6	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
7	Section 1. R.S. 17:170(E) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:
8	§170. Immunization of persons entering schools, kindergartens, colleges,
9	proprietary or vocational schools, and day care centers for the first time;
10	immunization of persons entering sixth grade; electronic transmission of
11	immunization compliance reports
12	* * *
13	E.(1) No person seeking to enter any school or facility enumerated in
14	Subsection A of this Section shall be required to comply with the provisions of this
15	Section if the student or his parent or guardian submits either a written statement
16	from a physician stating that the procedure is contraindicated for medical reasons,
17	or a written dissent from the student or his parent or guardian is presented.

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1 (2) Any communication issued to students or parents relative to the
2 requirements of this Section shall include the text of the exemption provided in
3 Paragraph (1) of this Subsection and the legal citation of such provision.
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## **DIGEST**

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**Abstract:** Requires that any communication issued to students or parents about immunization requirements include that students are exempt if parents provide either written dissent or a doctor's note relative to medical contraindication.

<u>Present law</u> requires each person entering any school for the first time to present satisfactory evidence of immunity to or immunization against vaccine-preventable diseases according to a schedule approved by the office of public health or to present evidence of an immunization program in progress. Exempts students from this requirement if parents provide either written dissent or a doctor's note stating the immunizations are medically contraindicated. <u>Proposed law</u> adds that any communication issued to students or parents relative to immunization requirements include the text and legal citation of <u>present law</u> relative to such exemption.

(Amends R.S. 17:170(E))