
DIGEST

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HB 52 Reengrossed

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Edmonds

Abstract: Requires that during any public health emergency relating to an infectious disease, the office of public health shall regularly report the number of school-age children known to have the disease.

Proposed law requires that during any state of public health emergency declared in accordance with present law and relating to one or more infectious diseases, the office of public health of the La. Department of Health shall transmit to all of the following recipients, on a weekly basis, a report which provides the total number of school-age children in this state known to have been infected with each disease addressed by the public health emergency declaration:

- (1) The state superintendent of education.
- (2) Each elected member of the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education.
- (3) Each elected member of the legislature.

Proposed law requires the La. Department of Health to publish on its website the reports required by proposed law.

Proposed law defines "school-age children" as all children who are at least five years of age and have not attained the age of eighteen years.

Proposed law stipulates that if a state of public health emergency is in effect on the effective date of proposed law, then the office of public health shall issue the first report required by proposed law not later than the seventh day after the effective date of proposed law.

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

(Adds R.S. 40:1272.1 and 1272.2)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill:

1. Change the definition of "school-age children" to "all children who are at least five years of age and have not attained the age of eighteen years".

2. Require the La. Department of Health to publish on its primary publicly available website each report required by proposed law.