
DIGEST

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HB 96 Engrossed

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Freeman

Abstract: Requires schools, if requested by a student's parent, to share such student's information with the state Dept. of Education and for the department to share it with the Dept. of Children and Family Services for purposes of administering the pandemic electronic benefits transfer program.

Present law prohibits any employee of a public school system from providing a student's personally identifiable information to any person or public or private entity. Provides exceptions to this prohibition and authorizes sharing student information under certain circumstances. Proposed law requires, if requested by a student's parent or legal guardian, each school or other entity that participates in a meal program through which students are eligible for the pandemic electronic benefits transfer (known as P-EBT) program to input such student's information into the secure student information system administered by the state Dept. of Education (DOE) for the purpose of facilitating program administration, including but not limited to the automatic issuance of benefits to the student's family. Requires DOE to securely transmit the information to the Dept. of Children and Family Services and prohibits any DOE employee or official from accessing the information provided pursuant to proposed law.

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

(Adds R.S. 17:3914(M))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Education to the original bill:

1. Make requirement that schools share a student's information contingent upon the request of that student's parent.