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2021 Regular Session
Substitute for Original House Bill No. 563 by Representative Garofalo as proposed by the House Committee on Education

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To amend and reenact R.S. 17:3914(K)(2) and (3)(c)(i) and to enact R.S. 17:3914(K)(1)(e),

relative to the collection and sharing of student data and information; to provide for

the use of such information for specified purposes; and to provide for related

matters.; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 17:3914(K)(2) and (3)(c)(i) are hereby amended and reenacted and

R.S. 17:3914(K)(1)(e) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§3914. Student information; privacy; legislative intent; definitions; prohibitions;

parental access; penalties

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K.(1) Notwithstanding any provision of this Part to the contrary, the

governing authority of each public school, with the permission of a student's parent

or legal guardian, shall collect the following personally identifiable information for

each student enrolled in grades eight through twelve:

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(e) Race and ethnicity data.

(2) The governing authority of a public school and the company that the state

has contracted with to develop the unique student identifier shall disclose the

information collected pursuant to Paragraph (1) of this Subsection, upon request,

only to:

(a) A Louisiana postsecondary education institution, to be used solely for the

purpose of processing applications for admission and for compliance with state and

federal reporting requirements.

CODING: Words in struck through type are deletions from existing law; words underscored are additions.

(b) The <u>Board of Regents and the</u> Office of Student Financial Assistance, <u>as a program under its jurisdiction,</u> to be used ~~solely~~ for the purpose of processing applications made to the office for state and federal grants and for required grant program reporting<u>, for the purposes of providing reports to each public school governing authority on the postsecondary education remediation needs, retention rates, and graduation rates for each high school under its jurisdiction, and to evaluate comparative postsecondary education performance outcomes based on student transcript data in order to develop policies designed to improve student academic achievement</u>.

~~(c) The Board of Regents, to be used only by board staff for the purposes of providing reports to each public school governing authority on the postsecondary remediation needs, retention rates, and graduation rates for each high school under its jurisdiction and to evaluate comparative postsecondary performance outcomes based upon student transcript data in order to develop policies designed to improve student academic achievement.~~

(3)

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(c) The form shall contain the following:

(i) A statement notifying the student's parent or legal guardian exactly what items of student information will be collected and that disclosure of the student information collected will be restricted to Louisiana postsecondary education institutions <u>to be used for the purposes of processing applications for admission and for compliance with state and federal reporting requirements, to the Board of Regents,</u> and t<u>o</u> the Office of Student Financial Assistance<u>, as a program under such board's jurisdiction,</u> to be used ~~solely~~ for the ~~purpose~~ <u>purposes</u> of processing applications for admission and for state and federal financial aid<u>,</u> ~~and to the Board of Regents to be used solely for the purposes of~~ <u>for</u> required grant program reporting, <u>for</u> providing reports to the school governing authority <u>on the postsecondary education remediation needs, retention rates, and graduation rates for each high school under its jurisdiction, and for evaluating comparative postsecondary education</u>

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~~developing~~ policies designed to improve student academic achievement.

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DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides relative to the sharing of students' personally identifiable information by public school governing authorities.

Present law prohibits an official or employee of a local public school system from requiring the collection of certain student information unless voluntarily disclosed by the parent or legal guardian. Further prohibits any employee of a public school system from providing a student's personally identifiable information to any person or public or private entity.

Present law defines personally identifiable information as information about an individual that can be used, on its own or with other information, to identify, contact, or locate a single individual.

Present law includes exceptions to the prohibitions. One exception is present law authorizes public school governing authorities, with parental permission, to collect certain personally identifiable information for students in grades eight through 12. Authorizes the sharing of such information with La. postsecondary education institutions, the La. Office of Student Financial Assistance, and the Bd. of Regents for specific purposes. The following personally identifiable information may be collected and shared in accordance with present law:

(1)   Full name.

(2)   Date of birth.

(3)   Social security number.

(4)   Student transcript data.

Proposed law adds race and ethnicity to the information that may be collected and shared. Revises purposes for which information may be shared and revises information required to be on parental notification forms.

(Amends R.S. 17:3914(K)(2) and (3)(c)(i) ; Adds R.S. 17:3914(K)(1)(e))