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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 194

BY REPRESENTATIVE MINCEY

A RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Louisiana School Boards Association, in consultation with the Louisiana Association of School Superintendents and the Louisiana Association of Principals, to review varying check-out procedures at elementary and secondary schools and research recommendations for those procedures.

WHEREAS, attendance policies at elementary and secondary schools often include procedures for checking students out of class; these procedures are necessary to protect instructional time and ensure students' safety; and

WHEREAS, nothing is more important than the safety of children, including when teachers and school staff act in loco parentis; today's family units do not always reflect those of yesteryear and the adults involved in a child's life are often juggling a myriad of responsibilities, therefore checking students out from school may unintentionally become a challenging situation to navigate for schools; and

WHEREAS, schools and school districts may have varying policies relative to checkout; and

WHEREAS, sharing and discussing the strengths and weaknesses of those varying policies provides an opportunity for schools and school systems to learn from each other relative to student check-out procedures.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request the Louisiana School Boards Association, in consultation with the Louisiana Association of School Superintendents and the Louisiana Association of Principals, to review varying check-out procedures at elementary and secondary schools and to research recommendations for those procedures. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Louisiana School Boards Association shall report findings and recommendations to the House Committee on Education and the Senate Committee on Education no later than January 19, 2022.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the president of the Louisiana School Boards Association, the president of the Louisiana Association of School Superintendents, and the president of the Louisiana Association of Principals.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES