RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 677 (SB 124)

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Abraham

<u>Prior law</u> required a parent or legal guardian of a student enrolled in an approved home study program or a nonpublic school to report such enrollment to the state Department of Education (DOE).

<u>New law</u> retains <u>prior law</u> and further requires the state Dept. of Education (DOE), within 30 days of initial approval or denial of an application for an approved home study program and the failure to receive an annual renewal application for a previously approved home study program, to notify the local public school system in which the child was most recently enrolled, and, if different, the public school system in which the child resides.

<u>New law</u> prohibits DOE from recording such a child as a dropout attributable to the public school where he was most recently enrolled or the public school which he would otherwise attend.

<u>New law</u> provides that no local public school system shall be responsible for collecting and maintaining school attendance data for any child who is enrolled in an approved home study program unless and until the parent subsequently enrolls the child in a public school under the authority of the school system.

Effective June 18, 2022.

(Amends R.S. 17:221(E))