RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

HB 54 2022 Regular Session Bagley

<u>Proposed law</u> would have prohibited banning entry onto the premises of a governmental entity or public educational institution based on COVID-19 vaccination status.

<u>Proposed law</u> would have provided that a governmental entity or public educational institution found to be in violation of <u>proposed law</u> should be liable for damages, including reasonable court costs and attorney fees.

<u>Proposed law</u> would have provided an exemption for healthcare providers enrolled in Medicare or Medicaid who were subject to fines or penalties for noncompliance with federal rules and regulations.

(Proposed to add R.S. 9:2800.25.1)

VETO MESSAGE:

"The bill is unnecessary and perpetuates the false narrative that the residents of Louisiana face vaccine mandates to access government services or attend schools. This is not the case. The bill also seeks to undermine public confidence in vaccines, which are safe, effective, and essential to public health. For these reasons, I have vetoed the bill."