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HOUSE BILL NO. 122

BY REPRESENTATIVE HORTON

CURRICULA: Provides relative to discussion of sexual orientation and gender identity in public schools

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 17:412, relative to public school teachers, personnel, and students; to provide
3 relative to discussion of sexual orientation or gender identity with students; to
4 prohibit teachers and others from discussing their sexual orientation or gender
5 identity with students; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 17:412 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 §412. Sexual orientation, gender identity; prohibited instruction, discussion

9 A. No teacher, school employee, or other presenter at a school shall engage
10 in the following discussions with students in grades kindergarten through twelve:

11 (1) Covering the topics of sexual orientation or gender identity in any
12 classroom discussion or instruction in a manner that deviates from state content
13 standards or curricula developed or approved by public school governing authorities.

14 (2) Covering the topics of sexual orientation or gender identity during any
15 extracurricular academic, athletic, or social activity under the jurisdiction of the
16 school or public school governing authority.

17 (3) Discussing his own sexual orientation or gender identity.

18 B. Nothing in this Subsection shall be construed to mean a student may not
19 seek out guidance from a teacher or licensed mental health professional outside
20 classroom hours with prior parental consent.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides relative to instruction on and discussion of sexual orientation and gender identity with certain public school students.

Proposed law prohibits a public school teacher, employee, or other presenter at a school from doing any of the following in grades kindergarten through 12:

- (1) Incorporating into classroom instruction or discussion topics of sexual orientation or gender identity in a manner that deviates from state content standards or curricula developed or approved by the public school governing authority.
- (2) Covering the topics of sexual orientation or gender identity during any extracurricular activity.
- (3) Discussing his personal sexual orientation or gender identity.

(Adds R.S. 17:412)