
HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

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Amendments proposed by House Committee on Education to Original House Bill No. 218
by Representative LaFleur

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, line 2, after "student" delete the remainder of the line and delete lines 3 through
3 6 and insert the following:

4 "questionnaires; to provide for the inclusion of questions pertaining to food insecurity on a
5 residency questionnaire; to provide for the administration of the questionnaire; to provide
6 for the confidentiality of responses; to provide for information on resources and services; to
7 provide for applicability; to provide a limitation of liability; and to provide for related
8 matters"

9 AMENDMENT NO. 2

10 On page 1, at the end of line 9, delete "screening programs" and delete lines 10 through 20
11 and on page 2, delete lines 1 through 3 and insert the following:

12 "A.(1) The state Department of Education, in consultation with the Louisiana
13 Department of Health, shall include questions pertaining to food insecurity on the
14 residency questionnaire administered for purposes of the federal McKinney-Vento
15 Homeless Children and Youth Assistance Act.

16 (2) Each public school shall distribute the questionnaire to each student in
17 grades kindergarten through twelve upon enrollment, change of address, and
18 reasonable suspicion of food insecurity by school personnel or school-based health
19 clinics.

20 (3) Each school that does not provide a free school lunch program or
21 participate in the federal Community Eligibility Provision universal lunch program,
22 the school shall also provide the questionnaire each school year to each student who
23 is classified as economically disadvantaged as defined by the State Board of
24 Elementary and Secondary Education for purposes of the minimum foundation
25 program.

26 B.(1) If the questionnaire responses indicate that a student is at risk for food
27 insecurity, the school shall provide the parents or legal guardian information on
28 federal, state, community, and school resources and services that may be available,
29 including but not limited to public assistance applications, social services,
30 community food banks and food pantries, and school meal programs and food
31 pantries. For any emancipated minor or student who has reached the age of majority,
32 the school shall provide the information directly to the student.

33 (2) The information on federal, state, and community resources shall be
34 compiled by the Louisiana Department of Health, which shall provide the
35 information to each school at no cost to the school or its school board.

36 C. Responses to the questionnaire shall remain confidential except for
37 disclosure to"

38 AMENDMENT NO. 3

39 On page 2, delete lines 6 through 13 and insert the following:

40 "for the provision of information as provided in Subsection B of this Section.

41 D. No school employee shall use questionnaire responses to make any
42 decision relating to student instruction, academic opportunities, or discipline.

43 E. No school board or employee thereof shall be liable for damages in a civil
44 action for injury, death, or loss to person or property that allegedly arises from an act

1 or omission associated with the provisions of this Section unless the act or omission
2 constitutes willful or wanton misconduct."

3 AMENDMENT NO. 4

4 On page 2, line 25, delete "screening programs," and insert "questions on residency
5 questionnaire,"