

2026 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 992

BY REPRESENTATIVE FREIBERG

EARLY CHILDHOOD: Requires assignment of student identification numbers to children in certain early childhood education programs

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 17:3914(C)(3), relative to early childhood education; to provide  
3 relative to student identification; to require the state Department of Education to  
4 assign early childhood education identification numbers to children enrolled in  
5 certain programs; to provide for implementation; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 17:3914(C)(3) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

8 §3914. Student information; privacy; legislative intent; definitions; prohibitions;  
9 parental access; penalties

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13 (3) ~~By not later than May 1, 2015, the~~ The state Department of Education  
14 shall develop a system of unique early childhood education identification numbers  
15 and student identification numbers. An identification number shall not include or be  
16 based on a social security number. A student shall retain his identification numbers  
17 for his tenure in early childhood programs and public elementary and secondary  
18 schools in Louisiana. Identification numbers shall be assigned as follows: ~~By not~~  
19 later than August 1, 2015, each



Present law requires each local public school board to assign a student identification number to every student enrolled in a public elementary or secondary school.

Proposed law retains present law.

Proposed law requires the state Dept. of Education (DOE) to assign an early childhood education number to every child participating in a publicly funded program at one of the following:

- (1) A prekindergarten program at a school.
- (2) An early learning center as defined by present law (R.S. 17:407.33).

Proposed law authorizes DOE to assign such a number to a child in a program that is not publicly funded at one of the above early childcare settings with parental consent.

Proposed law requires DOE to assign only one number to each child, and such number shall be linked to a student and his student identification number upon his entering kindergarten at a public elementary school.

Requires proposed law to be initially implemented no later than August 1, 2027.

(Amends R.S. 17:3914(C)(3))

#### Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Education to the original bill:

1. Distinguish between early childhood education numbers and student identification numbers.
2. Specify that proposed law applies to a child who is participating in a program at a prekindergarten program at a school or early learning center.
3. Require each local public school board to link the early childhood education number to the student identification number for each student by Dec. 31, 2027.