
DIGEST

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HB No. 555

Abstract: Prohibits the collection of personally identifiable information on students; prohibits the transmittal or sharing of student information without parental consent; and provides penalties for violations.

Proposed law, relative to student information collected, prohibits local public school boards and schools, the state Dept. of Education, and the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) from transmitting or sharing such information with any person, entity, or agency without full disclosure and written consent from the student's parent or legal guardian. Requires BESE to promulgate rules to provide a process for such full disclosure and requires certain minimum components to be included in such rules.

Provides that student information collected by a local public school board or school, the state Dept. of Education, or BESE be limited to basic information and prohibits the collection of personally identifiable information. Defines "personally identifiable information" as two or more pieces of information that separately or when linked together can identify the person in a manner that is not known or readily available to the public, including but not limited to social security number, religious affiliation, student disability, and student hobbies or interests.

Provides that a violation of proposed law is punishable by imprisonment up to six months or by a fine of up to \$10,000.

(Adds R.S. 17:3913)