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SB 250 Reengrossed

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<u>Proposed law</u> requires the state Dept. of Education to prepare information to be distributed to each public school governing authority for dissemination to the parent of each student enrolled in a school under its jurisdiction regarding the public health risks and harms associated with pornography. Requires the information to include the following:

- (1) Dangers of sexually charged cyberbullying.
- (2) Addictive and destructive nature of pornographic and illicit materials.
- (3) Dangers of internet interaction with strangers.
- (4) Resources available to parents related to child safeguards and free internet filters for home computers.

<u>Present law</u> requires public school governing authorities to adopt policies, in accordance with all applicable state and federal laws, regarding student and employee access to websites on school computers that contain or make reference to harmful material. <u>Proposed law</u> requires such policies to be in accordance with policies adopted by the State Bd. of Elementary and Secondary Education instead of in accordance with all applicable state and federal laws.

(Amends R.S. 17:100.7)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Education to the original bill

- 1. Provides that the local governing boards adopt policies in accordance with BESE policies.
- 2. Makes technical changes.

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by <u>House Committee on Education</u> to the reengrossed bill:

- 1. Change terminology for what the state Dept. of Education shall prepare and distribute <u>from</u> "handout" <u>to</u> "information".
- 2. Delete reference to a particular source of internet filters.
- 3. Delete uncodified legislative findings.