

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

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Prior law prohibited the collection of certain student information by local public school systems and charter schools unless the information is voluntarily disclosed by the parent or legal guardian.

Prior law required public school governing authorities annually to provide a parental consent form that contains a statement notifying a student's parent or legal guardian of what student information will be collected for the purposes of applying for admission to a postsecondary education institution and applying for state and federal student financial aid.

Prior law further provided that the governing authority of each public school shall disclose the information collected, upon request, to a public postsecondary institution and the Office of Student Financial Assistance.

New law adds the Bd. of Regents to the entities that may be provided such student information for the purposes of:

- (1) Providing reports to each public school governing authority on the postsecondary remediation needs, retention rates, and graduation rates for each high school under its jurisdiction.
- (2) Evaluating comparative postsecondary performance outcomes based on student transcript data in order to develop policies designed to improve student academic achievement.

New law additionally requires that the parental consent form contain a statement notifying parents that student information will be collected and shared with the Bd. of Regents to be used for the purposes of providing reports to the school governing authority and developing policies designed to improve student academic achievement.

New law otherwise retains prior law.

Effective upon signature of the governor (May 15, 2018).

(Amends R.S. 17:3914(K)(2) and (3)(c)(i))