

2019 Regular Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 256

BY SENATOR WALSWORTH

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT. Requests the state Department of Education to study the feasibility of collecting and reporting certain information related to school employees.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To urge and request the state Department of Education to study the feasibility of establishing  
3 a statewide database for collecting detailed information regarding the discipline of  
4 school personnel to be used in the issuance and revocation of teaching certificates  
5 and teaching authorizations, and for hiring school teachers, administrators, and other  
6 school personnel.

7 WHEREAS, school-aged children spend almost fifty percent of their waking hours  
8 in the care of school personnel; and

9 WHEREAS, keeping people who prey on children out of our schools is paramount;  
10 and

11 WHEREAS, it has been documented that teachers who have been accused of  
12 endangering children have been permitted to resign without documentation of the  
13 misconduct; and

14 WHEREAS, it has also been documented that some of these teachers have been  
15 rehired by unsuspecting school districts and then later preyed on other children; and

16 WHEREAS, law enforcement agencies in Louisiana developed and operate a  
17 database to collect and report data on the misconduct of law enforcement officers; and

18 WHEREAS, this database was developed in order to prevent officers from resigning

