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HB 132 Engrossed

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Pierre

Abstract: Requires installation of water bottle filling stations in new public school buildings and existing school buildings undergoing major plumbing renovations.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires installation of water bottle filling stations at a new public school building and an existing public school building that undergoes a major renovation. Applies to construction and major plumbing renovations that commence on or after Aug. 31, 2021.

<u>Proposed law</u> defines "water bottle filling station" as a water dispenser, accessible to all people in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, that dispenses clean drinking water directly into a bottle or other drinking container. Provides such station counts as a "drinking fountain" as provided in the La. Building Code.

<u>Proposed law</u> defines "major plumbing renovation" as changes to an existing school building that replace, repair, alter, or upgrade water systems or fixtures.

(Adds R.S. 17:100.13)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

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

- 1. Further define a "water bottle filling station" as a "drinking fountain" for purposes of the La. Building Code.
- 2. Replace criteria triggering applicability of <u>proposed law</u> from a "major renovation" to a "major plumbing renovation".