
DIGEST

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HB 498 Reengrossed

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Edmonston

Abstract: Prohibits government personnel and agencies from discriminating against persons based on vaccination or immunity status.

Proposed law prohibits a state or local government official or agency from distinguishing between individuals based on whether a person has or has not had a vaccination or is or is not immune to a virus. Provides examples of discrimination that is prohibited.

Proposed law provides exceptions applicable to providing medical services.

Proposed law provides an exception for present law immunization requirements for students, except for vaccines targeting COVID-19 or SARS-COV2.

Proposed law authorizes any person to commence a suit for the issuance of a writ of mandamus or injunctive or declaratory relief to require compliance with the provisions of proposed law, together with reasonable attorney fees and costs.

(Adds R.S. 49:186)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Civil Law and Procedure to the original bill:

1. Add an exception prohibiting government officials or agencies from distinguishing COVID-19 immunization requirements for students.
2. Remove the venue provision.