

SENATE BILL NO. 114

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Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R. S. 17:101 and 3996(B)(59), relative to public elementary and secondary schools;
3 to provide for remote registration and preliminary enrollment of children of military
4 personnel under certain circumstances; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 17:101 and 3996(B)(59) are hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 **§101. Children of military families; registration prior to residency; preliminary**
8 **enrollment**

9 **A. A public school governing authority shall allow a dependent child of**
10 **an active duty member of the United States Armed Forces, of the military**
11 **reserve forces, or of the National Guard or a Department of Defense civilian to**
12 **register and preliminarily enroll in a public school under its jurisdiction by**
13 **remote means, including electronic means, prior to becoming a resident of the**
14 **state, provided all of the following apply:**

15 **(1) The student's parent or legal guardian is transferred or pending**
16 **transfer to a military installation or comparable duty location in Louisiana**
17 **pursuant to an official military order.**

18 **(2) The student's parent or legal guardian provides a copy of the official**
19 **military order transferring the parent or legal guardian to a military**
20 **installation or comparable duty location in Louisiana to the public school**
21 **governing authority.**

22 **(3) The student's parent or legal guardian completes and submits all**

1 required registration and enrollment forms and documentation to the public
2 school governing authority, except that proof of residency shall not be required
3 until ten days after the arrival date specified on the parent or legal guardian's
4 transfer orders.

5 B. A public school governing authority shall provide a student who
6 remotely registers pursuant to this Section the same enrollment opportunities
7 available to resident students, including requesting and applying for school
8 assignment, registering for courses, participating in extracurricular activities,
9 and applying to any school or program that requires an additional request,
10 including a lottery for admission to a specific school or program.

11 C. A student registered and enrolled pursuant to this Section shall not
12 attend school until proof of residency is provided in accordance with the policies
13 of the school's governing authority.

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15 §3996. Charter schools; exemptions; requirements

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17 B. Notwithstanding any state law, rule, or regulation to the contrary and
18 except as may be otherwise specifically provided for in an approved charter, a
19 charter school established and operated in accordance with the provisions of this
20 Chapter and its approved charter and the school's officers and employees shall be
21 exempt from all statutory mandates or other statutory requirements that are
22 applicable to public schools and to public school officers and employees except for
23 the following laws otherwise applicable to public schools with the same grades:

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25 (59) Remote school registration and enrollment of children of military
26 personnel transferring to the state, R.S. 17:101.

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28 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
29 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
30 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If

1 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
2 effective on the day following such approval.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____