

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

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Garofalo

New law provides for the collection and use of certain student data and information for specified purposes.

Existing law prohibits an official or employee of a local public school system from requiring the collection of certain student information unless voluntarily disclosed by the parent or legal guardian. Further prohibits any employee of a public school system from providing a student's personally identifiable information to any person or public or private entity.

Existing law defines personally identifiable information as information about an individual that can be used on its own or with other information to identify, contact, or locate a single individual.

Existing law provides for exceptions to the prohibitions, including requiring public school governing authorities, with parental permission, to collect certain personally identifiable information for students in grades eight through 12. Authorizes the sharing of such information with La. postsecondary education institutions, the office of student financial assistance, and the Bd. of Regents for specific purposes. The following personally identifiable information may be collected and shared in accordance with existing law:

- (1) Full name.
- (2) Date of birth.
- (3) Social security number.
- (4) Student transcript data.

New law adds race and ethnicity to the information that may be collected and shared. Authorizes postsecondary education institutions to use personally identifiable information to comply with state and federal reporting requirements. Revises information required to be on parental notification forms.

Existing law authorizes disclosing student information to the office of student financial assistance for purposes related to administering state and federal grants. New law authorizes disclosing information to the Bd. of Regents for such purposes.

Effective August 1, 2021.

(Amends R.S. 17:3914(K)(2) and (3)(c)(i); Adds R.S. 17:3914(K)(1)(e))