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**HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

2022 Regular Session

Substitute for Original House Bill No. 75 by Representative Harris as proposed by the House Committee on Education

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To enact R.S. 17:354 and 3996(B)(67), relative to elementary and secondary education; to require each public school governing authority to post on its website certain information pertaining to instructional materials and activities; to provide for annual posting, updates, and parental notification; to specify the content of the information to be included; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 17:354 and 3996 (B)(67) are hereby enacted to read as follows:

§354. Public access to instructional materials and activities

A.(1) Each public school governing authority shall post prominently on its website:

(a) A list of materials and activities for each school under its jurisdiction, organized by school, subject area, and grade level. The list shall include bibliographic information for each item, including the title and author of the material and any organization associated with an activity and its Internet address, as applicable.

(b) Any policies and procedures for the review or approval of such materials and activities.

(2) Each public school governing authority shall post this information by the first day of the school year and update it, at minimum, by January fifteenth annually and shall notify parents when it is initially posted and updated.

B. As used in this Section the following terms have the following meanings:

(1) "Activity" means a lecture, assembly, presentation, or other event that is conducted by an outside individual or organization and that is facilitated or hosted

by the public school governing authority or the school. "Activity" does not include presentations given by students or teachers.

(2) "Material" means a textbook or other material used for student instruction, including any fiction or nonfiction book, story, article, or essay.

C. This Section shall not be construed to require a public school governing authority to post a teacher's lesson plans or to post information about material or an activity in a manner that would constitute a copyright infringement.

D. Each public school governing authority shall adopt policies for the implementation of this Section.

E. The provisions of this Section are in addition to the authority granted to parents to inspect textbooks and other instructional materials as provided in R.S. 17:355 and R.S. 17:406.9.

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§3996. Charter schools; exemptions; requirements

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

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(67) Public access to instructional materials and activities, R.S. 17:354.

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DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Requires public school governing authorities to post on their websites information pertaining to instructional materials and activities.

Proposed law requires each public school governing authority to post prominently on its website:

- (1) A list of the materials and activities to be used for student instruction at each school under its jurisdiction during the school year, organized by school, subject area, and grade level.
- (2) Any policies and procedures in effect for the documentation, review, or approval of such materials and activities.

Proposed law requires this information to be posted by the first day of school each year and updated, at minimum, by Jan. 15 annually and for parents to be notified when it is initially posted and updated.

Proposed law provides that proposed law shall not be construed to require a public school governing authority to post a teacher's lesson plans or information about material or an activity in a manner that would constitute a copyright infringement.

Proposed law requires public school governing authorities to adopt policies for the implementation of proposed law.

Proposed law is applicable to all public schools, including charter schools.

(Adds R.S. 17:354 and 3996(B)(67))