

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 471

BY REPRESENTATIVE MINCEY

CRIMINAL/RECORDS: Provides relative to background checks for workers dressed in costume as certain characters

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 15:587.3(C) and to enact R.S. 15:587.3(A)(3), relative to  
3 criminal identification and information; to provide relative to volunteers and  
4 employees dressed as certain characters; to provide relative to penalties; and to  
5 provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 15:587.3(C) is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S.  
8 15:587.3(A)(3) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

9 §587.3. Volunteers and employees in youth-serving institutions or organizations;  
10 other youth coaches; criminal background information

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13 (3) Any employee or volunteer who is required to dress in costume as a  
14 holiday, historic, cartoon, mythical, or such other similar character in either a public  
15 setting or private setting where compensation is provided and who is required to be  
16 in substantial contact with children as part of his employment shall be required to do  
17 the following:

18 (a) Agree to release all investigative records for examination for the purpose  
19 of verifying the accuracy of criminal violation information.



(3) Attend a comprehensive youth protection training program.

Present law requires any head coach of youth athletes not part of certain present law institutions or organizations to do the aforementioned present law tasks as well as making available criminal history record information.

Proposed law retains present law and requires background checks for anyone dressed as a character in either a public setting or private setting where compensation is provided and substantial contact with children is required.

Proposed law provides penalties for sex offenders and employers who are in violation of the law.

(Amends R.S. 15:587.3(C); Adds R.S. 15:587.3(A)(3))