
DIGEST

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HB 369 Engrossed

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Harris

Abstract: Requires public school governing authorities and schools to share information relative to the laws providing for parents' rights with respect to their children's education.

Proposed law requires public school governing authorities and schools to post an easily understandable summary and the full text and legal citation of the following provisions of present law relative to parental access to instructional materials and other parental rights relative to their children's education:

- (1) Present law (R.S. 17:355), which provides that the parent of a child attending a public elementary or secondary school is entitled to access instructional materials
- (2) Present law (R.S. 17:406.9), which, in the Parents' Bill of Rights for Public Schools, provides that parents of public school children who have not reached the age of majority shall have certain rights, including those relative to examining textbooks, curricula, and supplemental materials.

Proposed law also requires that the information be distributed to parents during the first week of school annually via paperwork sent home or any electronic means through which communication is routinely delivered to parents.

Present law applies present law (R.S. 17:406.9) relative to the Parents' Bill of Rights to charter schools. Proposed law additionally applies present law (R.S. 17:355) relative to parental access to instructional materials to charter schools. Proposed law relative to distributing and posting information about such present law on websites is applicable to all public schools, including charter schools.

(Adds R.S. 17:354 and 3996(B)(67) and (68))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Education to the original bill:

1. Additionally require the information to be distributed to parents during the first week of school annually.