DIGEST

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CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT DIGEST

HB 54

2022 Regular Session

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Keyword and oneliner of the instrument as it left the House

CRIME/MISDEMEANOR: Creates the crime of discrimination based on vaccination status

Report adopts Senate amendments to:

- 1. Make technical changes.
- 2 Change the criminal offense to civil action.
- 3. Exclude private educational institutions.
- 4. Include liability of government entity or public educational institution for damages, reasonable court costs, and attorney fees.

Report rejects Senate amendments which would have:

1. Clarified that proposed law applies only to COVID-19 vaccines.

Digest of the bill as proposed by the Conference Committee

<u>Proposed law</u> prohibits banning entry onto the premises of a governmental entity or public educational institution based on COVID-19 vaccination status.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that a government entity or public educational institution found to be in violation of proposed law shall be liable for damages, including reasonable court costs and attorney fees.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides an exemption for healthcare providers enrolled in Medicare or Medicaid who are subject to fines or penalties for noncompliance with federal rules and regulations.

(Adds R.S. 9:2800.25.1)