DIGEST

SB 205 Original	2023 Regular Session	Cortez

Proposed law provides for the creation of the Louisiana Foundational Integrated Research System for Transformation (LA FIRST) within the Board of Regents.

Proposed law provides LA FIRST be developed and maintained at the UL at Lafayette within the Kathleen Babineaux Blanco Public Policy Center.

Proposed law directs LA FIRST to enter into data sharing agreement with certain state entities.

Proposed law provides that no later than December 1, 2023, the data sharing agreements shall be executed by the Kathleen Babineaux Blanco Policy Center and the following state entities:

(1)   The Board of Regents.

(2)   Each public postsecondary education management board.

(3)   The Louisiana Workforce Commission.

(4)   The Department of Children and Family Services.

(5)   The Department of Corrections.

(6)   The Office of Juvenile Justice.

(7)   Department of Health.

Proposed law provides that notwithstanding present law, the Kathleen Babineaux Blanco Policy Center be provided access to all data listed in the data sharing agreement developed with each state entity.

Proposed law provides that notwithstanding present law the state Department of Education and any parish, city or local school board may directly share student data with the Kathleen Babineaux Blanco Policy Center and any department listed in proposed law herein in order to carry out the provisions of this Act.

Proposed law directs the Kathleen Babineaux Blanco Center, through LA FIRST, to develop and annually publish the Launch Louisiana report, the Louisiana's Employment Outcomes report, and the Causes and Consequences of Criminal and Delinquent Acts report.

Proposed law provides data sharing commencement to occur no later than December 1, 2023, and provides for a minimum number of five years for a historical baseline.

Proposed law provides that all data shared will include a minimum set of personally identifiable information and will be separated into personal and non-personal information.

Proposed law provides personal information will be used only to generate a unique identifier for each record.

Proposed law further provides that the research and analysis may not be conducted on data that includes personally identifiable information.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Adds R.S. 17:3138.12)