

## HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS

**HB 47**

**2024 Regular Session**

**Edmonston**

VACCINES/VACCINATION: Requires that communication issued about immunization requirements include exemption information and applies exemptions not only to students seeking to enter school but also to students attending school

### Synopsis of Senate Amendments

1. Remove proposed law requirement that written dissent include written verification that the child has been examined by a physician.
2. Exempt distant learners from present law and proposed law relative to exemption from vaccine requirements for persons attending or seeking to enter a school.

### Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate

Present law requires each person entering any school (licensed day care centers and elementary, secondary, and postsecondary schools) for the first time to present satisfactory evidence of immunity to or immunization against vaccine-preventable diseases according to a schedule approved by the office of public health or to present evidence of an immunization program in progress. Present law retains present law.

Present law exempts a student seeking to enter any such school or facility from this requirement if he submits a written statement from a doctor relative to medical contraindication or a written dissent. Proposed law:

- (1) Applies the exemption not only to students seeking to enter school but also to students attending school.
- (2) Requires that any communication issued to students or their parents or guardians relative to immunization requirements include the text and legal citation of the exemption provision.

Proposed law exempts distant learners from present law relative to exemption and proposed law.

(Amends R.S. 17:170(E))