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## DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Provides for disciplinary penalties for certain students found to be in possession of marijuana, tetrahydrocannabinol, or chemical derivatives thereof on school property without a valid order from a licensed medical provider.

Present law provides that a student in grades six-12 who is found guilty of being in possession of any illegal narcotic, drug, or other controlled substance on school property shall be expelled from school for a minimum period of four complete school semesters and referred to the district attorney.

Proposed law provides, notwithstanding present law, that the following disciplinary penalties apply for students in such grades found to possess marijuana, tetrahydrocannabinol, or any chemical derivative thereof on any school property without a valid order from a licensed medical provider:

- (1) On the first occurrence, the student shall successfully complete 10 hours of substance abuse education approved by the school board.
- (2) On the second occurrence, the student may be suspended for up to one half of a semester.
- (3) On the third occurrence, the student may be suspended for up to one semester.

Proposed law provides that proposed law shall not apply to any subsequent occurrence.

(Adds R.S. 17:416(O))