

2025 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 344

BY REPRESENTATIVE BERAULT

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

STUDENT/DISCIPLINE: Provides for the transfer of school disciplinary records

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 17:112(B) and to enact R.S. 17:3996(B)(89), relative to student
3 records; to require that student records include full disciplinary records upon transfer
4 from one school to another; to apply requirements pertaining to certain student
5 records to charter schools; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 17:112(B) is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 17:3996(B)(89)
8 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

9 §112. Student academic and disciplinary records; transfer; parental rights

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11 B. The principal shall include in the transferred records the student's full
12 school disciplinary record, including but not limited to ~~If a student has been~~
13 ~~suspended or expelled, or both, the transferred records shall include~~ the dates of any
14 suspension or expulsion and the reasons for which the student was suspended or
15 expelled.

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17 §3996. Charter schools; exemptions; requirements

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19 B. Notwithstanding any state law, rule, or regulation to the contrary and
20 except as may be otherwise specifically provided for in an approved charter, a

1 charter school established and operated in accordance with the provisions of this
2 Chapter and its approved charter and the school's officers and employees shall be
3 exempt from all statutory mandates or other statutory requirements that are
4 applicable to public schools and to public school officers and employees except for
5 the following laws otherwise applicable to public schools with the same grades:

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7 (89) Student records, R.S. 17:112.
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DIGEST

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Abstract: Requires that full disciplinary records be included in the transfer of student records.

Present law requires the principal of any public school to provide for the transfer of the education records of any current or former student at his school upon the written request of any authorized person on behalf of a public school, nonpublic school, or educational facility within a correctional or health facility where the student is enrolled or seeking enrollment. Requires records to include the date of, and reason for, any suspension or expulsion. Proposed law broadens this requirement to apply to the student's full disciplinary record, not just suspensions and expulsions, and applies present law and proposed law to charter schools.

(Amends R.S. 17:112(B); Adds R.S. 17:3996(B)(89))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

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

1. Remove proposed law pertaining to school personnel's access to juvenile court records.
2. Apply present law and proposed law relative to student records to charter schools.