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CIVIL/LAW: Provides for the Restoring Biological Truth Act

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact Civil Code Article 14, Code of Civil Procedure Article 5055, Code

3 of Criminal Procedure Articles 4, 795(C), (D), and (E), 989, 992, 994, 997, 998, and

4 999.1, Children's Code Articles 106, 720(B)(1), 725, 1217.1(A)(4), and

5 1239.1(A)(4), R.S. 1:8, R.S. 3:1493(E) and 2074(E), R.S. 4:158.2(A)(2) and 193(B),

6 R.S. 9:2720(D), R.S. 11:3390 and 3662, R.S. 13:1856(1) and 1857(A)(8)(d)(ii) and

7 (iii), R.S. 14:107.2(A), R.S. 15:827.3(A)(2)(c)(i), 832(A), 905(F)(13)(b) and

8 (14)(a)(ii) and (d)(ii), 933(D)(4)(introductory paragraph) and (E)(1)(introductory

9 paragraph), 934(B)(4), 1110(D)(3), 1204.2(B)(4), and 1228.9(D)(1)(a), R.S.

10 17:17.5(B)(2), 100.13(G)(2)(f) and (J), 221.3(B)(2)(d), 416(M), 416.21(N)(3)(a) and

11 (b)(i)(aa) and (bb), 1519.7(C), 1871(A)(3), 1998, 3047.7(B)(2)(a), 3351(B)(2)(b)(ii),

12 3399.12(5)(i), 3911(B)(1)(i)(introductory paragraph) and (4)(a)(introductory

13 paragraph), 3991(A)(1)(b)(iv) and (B)(3), and 5067(B)(7), R.S. 22:1204(A)(10)(b),

14 1504(1), 1545(I)(1)(introductory paragraph) and (J), 1808.2(H), 2161(B),

15 2187(D)(4), and 2503(9)(b)(introductory paragraph), R.S. 23:2043(B)(1), R.S.

16 27:46(B), R.S. 32:398.10(A)(2) and 429.3, R.S. 33:130.302(A)(2), 130.882(A)(2),

1 363(D), 2740.70.3(B)(2), 4071(A)(6), and 4720.301(G)(2), R.S. 36:108(B)(5), R.S.
2 37:832(A)(2), 914(B)(3), 962(C), 1042(B)(1)(b), 1104(A), 1172(A), 2102(A)(2),
3 2353(A)(2), 2403(H), 2407(D), 2455(B)(1), 2704(A)(introductory paragraph),
4 3061(A)(2)(c), 3084(B)(2), 3201(B)(2), 3386.2(C), 3389(C), 3444(A), 3463(B)(1),
5 3554(A)(2), and 3703(B)(3), R.S. 40:31.61, 101(D)(1), 600.151(D)(1)(l)(ii)(hh) and
6 (m)(iv), and 2403(H)(1), R.S. 42:2.1(A) and 1132(B)(1)(a) through (c), R.S.
7 46:153.3(D)(1), 288.5(1), 460.37(B)(10), 1095(A), and 1941.8(A)(introductory
8 paragraph), R.S. 47:337.14(E)(2) and 1702(6), R.S. 48:2134(C)(introductory
9 paragraph), R.S. 49:1112(B)(1), R.S. 51:942(A) and 1762(A)(8)(a)(iii), R.S.
10 56:108(A) and 1705(C), relative to use of terms; to provide for the Restoring
11 Biological Truth Act; to change references from gender to sex; to provide with
12 respect to definitions; to provide for the use of gender and number; to provide for
13 boards, commissions, and councils; to provide for statistical data collection and
14 reporting; to provide for various technical revisions; and to provide for related
15 matters.

16 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

17 Section 1. Civil Code Article 14 is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

18 Art. 14. Use of ~~gender~~ sex

19 Unless the context indicates otherwise, words used with reference to one
20 ~~gender~~ sex apply to the other genders sex.

21 Section 2. R.S. 1:8 is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

22 §8. One ~~gender~~ sex may denote ~~others~~ the other; definition of sex

23 A. Words used in reference to one ~~gender~~ sex apply also to the other ~~genders~~
24 sex, except as otherwise clearly indicated by the context.

25 B. "Sex" means an individual's biological sex, either male or female, as
26 observed or clinically certified at birth. "Gender identity" and other subjective terms
27 shall not be used as synonyms or substitutes for the term "sex".

28 Section 3. R.S. 3:1493(E) and 2074(E) are hereby amended and reenacted to read
29 as follows:

1 §193. Categories of persons subject to exclusion and ejection; civil liberties

2 * * *

3 B. No person may be excluded or ejected on account of race, color, creed,
4 national origin, ancestry, disability, as defined in R.S. 51:2232, or ~~gender~~ sex.

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6 Section 5. R.S. 9:2720(D) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §2720. Enforceability of gestational carrier contract

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9 D. No person shall enter into a gestational carrier contract that requires the
10 gestational carrier to consent to terminate a pregnancy resulting from in utero
11 embryo transfer for any reason, including a prenatal diagnosis of an actual or
12 potential disability, impairment, genetic variation, or any other health condition or
13 a discrimination based on ~~gender~~ sex, or for the purposes of the reduction of multiple
14 fetuses. Any such provision in a contract executed in the state of Louisiana or any
15 other state shall be absolutely null and unenforceable in the state of Louisiana as
16 contrary to public policy.

17 Section 6. R.S. 11:3390 and 3662 are hereby amended and reenacted to read as
18 follows:

19 §3390. Beneficiaries

20 For the purposes of this Part, whenever reference is made to ~~gender~~ sex, the
21 masculine shall include the feminine, the feminine shall include the masculine, and
22 in particular with reference to Sections 3363, 3378, 3379, 3385, and 3388 without
23 limiting the generality of the above, whenever reference is made to widows of
24 members of the fire department, it shall also apply to widowers of said members.

25 * * *

26 §3662. One ~~gender~~ sex may denote ~~others~~ the other

27 For the purposes of this Subpart, whenever reference is made to ~~gender~~ sex,
28 the masculine shall include the feminine, the feminine shall include the masculine,
29 and in particular with reference to Sections 3631, 3648, 3656, and 3660; without

1 limiting the generality of the above, whenever reference is made to widows of
2 members, it shall also apply to widowers of said members.

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4 Section 7. R.S. 13:1856(A)(1) and 1857(A)(8)(d)(ii) and (iii) are hereby amended
5 and reenacted to read as follows:

6 §1856. Contents of petition

7 A petition under this Part shall be verified and include a copy of any existing
8 child-custody determination, if available. The petition shall specify the risk factors
9 for abduction, including the relevant factors described in R.S. 13:1857. Subject to
10 the provisions of R.S. 13:1821(E), if reasonably ascertainable, the petition shall
11 contain:

12 (1) The name, date of birth, and ~~gender~~ sex of the child.

13 * * *

14 §1857. Factors to determine risk of abduction

15 A. In determining whether there is a credible risk of abduction of a child, the
16 court shall consider all of the following factors and any evidence that the petitioner
17 or respondent:

18 * * *

19 (8) Is likely to take the child to a country that either:

20 * * *

21 (d) Has laws or practices that would either:

22 * * *

23 (ii) Restrict the petitioner from freely traveling to or exiting from the country
24 because of the petitioner's ~~gender~~ sex, nationality, marital status, or religion.

25 (iii) Restrict the child's ability legally to leave the country after the child
26 reaches the age of majority because of a child's ~~gender~~ sex, nationality, or religion.

27 * * *

28 Section 8. R.S. 14:107.2(A) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

1 §107.2. Hate crimes

2 A. It shall be unlawful for any person to select the victim of the following
3 offenses against person and property because of actual or perceived race, age, ~~gender~~
4 sex, religion, color, creed, disability, sexual orientation, national origin, or ancestry
5 of that person or the owner or occupant of that property or because of actual or
6 perceived membership or service in, or employment with, an organization, or
7 because of actual or perceived employment as a law enforcement officer, firefighter,
8 or emergency medical services personnel: first or second degree murder;
9 manslaughter; battery; aggravated battery; second degree battery; aggravated assault
10 with a firearm; terrorizing; menacing; mingling harmful substances; simple or third
11 degree rape, forcible or second degree rape, or aggravated or first degree rape; sexual
12 battery; second degree sexual battery; oral sexual battery; carnal knowledge of a
13 juvenile; indecent behavior with juveniles; molestation of a juvenile or a person with
14 a physical or mental disability; simple, second degree, or aggravated kidnapping;
15 simple or aggravated arson; communicating of false information of planned arson;
16 simple or aggravated criminal damage to property; contamination of water supplies;
17 simple or aggravated burglary; criminal trespass; simple, first degree, or armed
18 robbery; purse snatching; extortion; theft; desecration of graves; institutional
19 vandalism; or assault by drive-by shooting.

20 * * *

21 Section 9. R.S. 15:827.3(A)(2)(c)(i), 832(A), 905(F)(13)(b) and (14)(a)(ii) and
22 (d)(ii), 933(D)(4)(introductory paragraph) and (E)(1)(introductory paragraph), 934(B)(4),
23 1110(D)(3), 1204.2(B)(4), and 1228.9(D)(1)(a) are hereby amended and reenacted to read
24 as follows:

25 §827.3. Savings attributable to criminal justice reforms; data collection and
26 reporting requirements to the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget
27 A.

28 * * *

29 (2) Each fiscal year, the annual savings shall be allocated as follows:

30 * * *

1 (c) Forty-five percent shall be allocated to the Louisiana Community and
 2 Technical College System for targeted investments in educational and vocational
 3 training aimed at recidivism reduction programming for adult and juvenile offenders.
 4 Such funds shall be utilized in connection with any other available sources of federal
 5 or state aid or training funds. The Louisiana Community and Technical College
 6 System shall provide a report to the legislature by December fifteenth of each year
 7 which shall include but not be limited to the following:

8 (i) A detailed description of the number of people trained categorized by age,
 9 race, ~~gender~~ sex, and geographic region.

10 * * *

11 §832. Work by inmates; allowance

12 A. The department shall provide employment opportunities and vocational
 13 training for all inmates, regardless of ~~gender~~ sex, consistent with available resources,
 14 physical custody, and appropriate classification criteria. Insofar as is possible, the
 15 equipment used in such programs, the conditions of employment, the management
 16 practices, and the general operating procedures thereof shall approximate those of
 17 private industry. The provisions of Part IX of Chapter 2 of Title 51 of the Louisiana
 18 Revised Statutes of 1950 with respect to prison-made goods shall be applicable to
 19 goods made, manufactured, or produced by the inmates of all institutions and
 20 facilities, under the jurisdiction of the department.

21 * * *

22 §905. Rules and regulations; education; training and discipline; work opportunities;
 23 vocational training; contracts and agreements; solitary confinement

24 * * *

25 F.

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27 (13) Every instance of solitary confinement shall be documented
 28 electronically and in the aggregate. Unidentified data on the frequency and length
 29 of time that the juvenile spends in solitary confinement shall be available upon

1 request as a public record. Documentation of the solitary confinement shall include
2 all of the following:

3 * * *

4 (b) The race, ethnicity, age, ~~gender~~ sex, and disability status of the juvenile.

5 * * *

6 (14)(a) The office of juvenile justice shall submit a report on the use of
7 solitary confinement quarterly to the Juvenile Justice Reform Act Commission. This
8 report shall include all of the following:

9 * * *

10 (ii) The race, ethnicity, age, ~~gender~~ sex, and disability status of each juvenile
11 placed in solitary confinement.

12 * * *

13 (d) The office of juvenile justice shall post a report on the use of solitary
14 confinement on its website quarterly with deidentified aggregate data including but
15 not limited to all of the following:

16 * * *

17 (ii) Race and ethnicity, age, and ~~gender~~ sex of juveniles placed in solitary
18 confinement.

19 * * *

20 §933. Office of juvenile justice; statistical data collection; reporting

21 * * *

22 D. Data to be collected and maintained. The data collected and maintained
23 under this Section shall include but not be limited to the following data points for
24 each child served:

25 * * *

26 (4) ~~Gender~~ Sex.

27 * * *

28 E. Data to be reported. The reports mandated by the office of juvenile
29 justice shall include but not be limited to the following data:

1 (1) Disaggregated by race, ethnicity, ~~gender~~ sex, parish of prosecution, and
2 most serious offense of adjudication, data including:

3 * * *

4 §934. Detention centers

5 * * *

6 B. The data collected and maintained shall include but not be limited to the
7 following information for each child:

8 * * *

9 (4) ~~Gender~~ Sex.

10 * * *

11 §1110. Purpose and reasons for detention; detention standards; licensing; fees

12 * * *

13 D.

14 * * *

15 (3) A copy of the completed detention screening instrument shall be
16 provided to the juvenile detention facility for any child who is admitted into its
17 custody. The juvenile detention facility shall keep a record of the results of the
18 detention screening instrument and the recommendation made based upon the
19 instrument to either detain the child, release the child with conditions, or release the
20 child without conditions. This record shall include the parish in which the child was
21 taken into custody, the most serious charge for which the child was taken into
22 custody, and demographic information about the child including but not limited to
23 race, ethnicity, ~~gender~~ sex, and age. This information shall be aggregated and
24 submitted quarterly to the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement and
25 Administration of Criminal Justice which shall annually provide such information
26 to the JDAI Collaborative.

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1 §1204.2. Creation of system; functions; powers; duties

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3 B. The system, by and through the commission, shall have the following
4 functions, powers, and duties:

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6 (4) To prepare and distribute, to all such persons and agencies, forms to be
7 used in reporting data to the system. The forms shall provide for information
8 regarding crimes which are directed against individuals or groups, or their property,
9 by reason of their actual or perceived race, age, ~~gender~~ sex, religion, color, creed,
10 disability, sexual orientation, national origin, or ancestry or by reason of their actual
11 or perceived membership or service in, or employment with, an organization as
12 defined in R.S. 14:107.2. The forms shall also provide for other items of information
13 needed by federal and state bureaus or departments engaged in the development of
14 national and state statistics.

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16 §1228.9. Impaired Driver Tracking System; purpose; procedure

17 * * *

18 D.(1) Every law enforcement agency in this state, including but not limited
19 to city police departments, sheriffs' offices, and state police shall submit the
20 following information to the impaired driver tracking system component of ICJIS,
21 when a person is arrested for any offense listed in Subsection C of this Section:

22 (a) The law enforcement agency making the arrest shall provide sufficient
23 information about the arrested person so that other law enforcement agencies, courts,
24 the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, and other relevant persons or
25 agencies can identify the person arrested, including but not limited to name, address,
26 driver's license number, date of birth, and physical characteristics, such as eye color,
27 hair color, and ~~gender~~ sex.

28 * * *

1 Section 10. R.S. 17:17.5(B)(2), 100.13(G)(2)(f) and (J), 221.3(B)(2)(d), 416(M),
2 416.21(N)(3)(a) and (b)(i)(aa) and (bb), 1519.7(C), 1871(A)(3), 1998, 3047.7(B)(2)(a),
3 3351(B)(2)(b)(ii), 3399.12(5)(i), 3911(B)(1)(i)(introductory paragraph) and
4 (4)(a)(introductory paragraph), 3991(A)(1)(b)(iv) and (B)(3), and 5067(B)(7) are hereby
5 amended and reenacted to read as follows:

6 §17.5. Physical fitness assessment; statewide expansion program

7 * * *

8 B. For purposes of the expansion program, the Cecil J. Picard Center, in
9 collaboration with the Department of Education and the Louisiana Department of
10 Health, shall continue use of the physical fitness assessment instrument used for the
11 pilot program which shall:

12 * * *

13 (2) Include criterion-referenced standards specific to a student's race, age,
14 and ~~gender~~ sex and based on the physical fitness level required for good health.

15 * * *

16 §100.13. Expanded academic support

17 * * *

18 G.

19 * * *

20 (2) In approving high-quality tutoring providers, the department shall require
21 the tutoring providers to:

22 * * *

23 (f) Provide evidence of impact on student outcomes disaggregated by student
24 groups according to race, ~~gender~~ sex, ethnicity, economically disadvantaged
25 students, English language learner status, disability status, and geographic location.
26 Tutoring providers may demonstrate impact through either adherence to the
27 program's model design by aligning with the components of high-dosage tutoring or
28 by having evidence of positive and statistically significant gains in student learning
29 outcomes based on a well-designed randomized controlled trial or

1 quasi-experimental design that provides the basis for evidence of causal program
2 impact and which is conducted by an external third-party researcher.

3 * * *

4 J. The department shall create reporting templates, procedures, and
5 definitions for reporting metrics for city, parish, and other local public school boards
6 to use in collecting and reporting tutoring-related data to the department including
7 changes in academic performance of participating students disaggregated by student
8 groups according to race, ~~gender~~ sex, ethnicity, economically disadvantaged
9 students, English language learner status, disability status, and geographic location.
10 To the extent possible, the department shall leverage existing reporting processes and
11 systems to reduce the reporting burden on local education agencies and public
12 charter schools.

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14 §221.3. Student enrollment notification; required schools and programs; content

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16 B.

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18 (2) Such notification shall:

19 * * *

20 (d) Be a written notification of enrollment which may be a written request
21 for a student's transcript if such transcript request occurs after the student has been
22 accepted for enrollment, with such written request or notification containing at a
23 minimum the student's legal name, date of birth, ~~gender~~ sex, and race.

24 * * *

25 §416. Discipline of students; suspension; expulsion

26 * * *

27 M. The state Department of Education shall publish annually and publish on
28 its website data regarding disciplinary removals disaggregated at the state, system,
29 and school level and also disaggregated and capable of cross-tabulation by the
30 characteristics of ~~gender~~ sex, race, disability, English language learner status, and

1 economically disadvantaged status. In reporting such data, the department shall
2 comply with all federal and state privacy laws and shall strive to ensure that all
3 relevant state accountability metrics are valid and reliable.

4 * * *

5 §416.21. Behavior of students with exceptionalities; use of seclusion and physical
6 restraint

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8 N.

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10 (3)(a) The state Department of Education shall maintain a database of all
11 reported incidents of seclusion and physical restraint of students with
12 exceptionalities and shall disaggregate the data for analysis by school; student age,
13 race, ethnicity, and ~~gender~~ sex; student disability, where applicable; and any
14 involved school employees.

15 (b)(i) Based upon the data collected, the state Department of Education shall
16 annually compile a comprehensive report regarding the use of seclusion and physical
17 restraint of students with exceptionalities, which shall at a minimum include the
18 following:

19 (aa) The number of incidents of physical restraint disaggregated by school
20 system; student age, race, ethnicity, ~~gender~~ sex, and student disability classification.

21 (bb) The number of incidents of seclusion disaggregated by school system;
22 student age, race, ethnicity, ~~gender~~ sex, and student disability classification.

23 * * *

24 §1519.7. Hospital advisory committees

25 * * *

26 C. In selecting community advisory committee members, an effort shall be
27 made to reflect the demographic diversity of the community the hospital serves
28 including age, ~~gender~~ sex, race, and other relevant factors. The board shall solicit
29 and accept nominations from the community at large and from organizations
30 representing community interests, including without limitation health professionals,

1 religious and community leaders, consumer advocates, and consumers of hospital
2 services.

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4 §1871. Board of Supervisors of Community and Technical Colleges; establishment;
5 members; qualifications and terms; vacancies; duties

6 A.

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8 (3) The board should be representative of the state's population by race and
9 ~~gender~~ sex to ensure diversity.

10 * * *

11 §1998. Advisory councils

12 The board, upon the recommendation of the directors of postsecondary
13 vocational-technical schools, shall appoint an advisory council on career education
14 for each school. The members of all such advisory councils in this state shall serve
15 without pay. Each such council shall be limited to fifteen members and be
16 representative of the state's population by race and ~~gender~~ sex to ensure diversity and
17 shall be representative equally of employee, employer, and educational and public
18 interests.

19 * * *

20 §3047.7. Reporting system; implementation; requirements; applicability;
21 participation by eligible institutions

22 * * *

23 B. The information reporting system shall include the following:

24 * * *

25 (2)(a) Demographic information of award recipients, including age, race,
26 ~~gender~~ sex, and household income.

27 * * *

1 §3351. General powers, duties, and functions of postsecondary education
2 management boards

3 * * *

4 B. In addition to the powers and duties vested by Subsection A of this
5 Section and any other applicable laws, each board, as soon as practicable, shall
6 adopt:

7 * * *

8 (2) Rules and regulations which may provide for:

9 * * *

10 (b)

11 * * *

12 (ii) Such rules and regulations may include the establishment, award, and
13 continuance of tuition waivers to any student for purposes of ~~gender~~ sex equity who
14 participates in an intercollegiate athletic program and who is pursuing an
15 undergraduate degree provided that the student meets the academic standards and
16 complies with the rules and regulations of the college or university such student is
17 attending relative to requirements for attendance as a full-time student. The tuition
18 waivers may be offered at any campus under the jurisdiction of each management
19 board; however, no management board shall issue more than an aggregate of fifty
20 tuition waivers per campus during an academic year and not more than fifty percent
21 of such tuition waivers shall be issued to out-of-state residents.

22 * * *

23 §3399.12. Definitions

24 As used in this Part, the following terms have the following meanings unless
25 the context clearly indicates otherwise:

26 * * *

27 (5) "Power-based violence" means any form of interpersonal violence
28 intended to control or intimidate another person through the assertion of power over
29 the person and shall include the following:

30 * * *

1 (i) Unwelcome sexual or sex- ~~or gender~~-based conduct that is objectively
2 offensive, has a discriminatory intent, and lacks a bona fide academic purpose.

3 * * *

4 §3911. Data collection system; establishment

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6 B.(1)

7 * * *

8 (i) Student discipline information, in total and by unduplicated counts,
9 disaggregated by race, ethnicity, ~~gender~~, sex, English learner status, and students
10 with exceptionalities, excluding gifted and talented, in accordance with data
11 collection conducted pursuant to 20 U.S.C. 3413(c)(1), including but not limited to
12 the following:

13 * * *

14 (4)(a) The department shall annually collect the following data elements for
15 students with an exceptionality by each disability classification, including breakouts
16 of each speech or language impairment category and breakouts of each intellectual
17 disability category, not including students identified exclusively as gifted and
18 talented, for each city, parish, or other local public school board. The following data
19 elements shall be reported for each disability classification in total as well as by
20 unduplicated counts by race, ~~gender~~, age, and sex:

21 * * *

22 §3991. Charter schools; requirements; limitations; renewal; amendment; revocation;
23 board membership

24 A.(1)

25 * * *

26 (b)

27 * * *

28 (iv) Beginning with the 2019-2020 school year, the governing or
29 management board of each charter school, other than a Type 2 charter school,
30 located in a parish with a population of between three hundred twenty-five thousand

1 and three hundred seventy-five thousand persons, based on the most recent federal
2 decennial census, shall be representative of the community in which the charter
3 school is located by race and ~~gender~~ sex to ensure diversity, and no fewer than sixty
4 percent of its members shall reside in the parish in which the school is located.

5 * * *

6 B. Each proposed charter shall contain or make provision for the following:

7 * * *

8 (3) Admission requirements, if any, that are consistent with the school's role,
9 scope, and mission may be established pursuant to rules promulgated by the state
10 board. Such admission requirements shall be specific and shall include a system for
11 admission decisions which precludes exclusion of pupils based on race, religion,
12 ~~gender~~ sex, ethnicity, national origin, intelligence level as ascertained by an
13 intelligence quotient examination, identification as a student with an exceptionality
14 as defined in R.S. 17:1942(B), or identification as a student who is economically
15 disadvantaged. Such admission requirements may include, however, specific
16 requirements related to a school's mission such as auditions for schools with a
17 performing arts mission or proficiency in a foreign language for schools with a
18 language immersion mission. Any school which was chartered prior to July 1, 2012,
19 and which incorporated achievement of a certain academic record as part of its
20 admission requirements may continue to use such admission requirements. No local
21 board shall assign any pupil to attend a charter school, except that a local board in
22 a district in which fifty percent or more of the public schools in the district are
23 charter schools and that uses a single application and enrollment process adopted by
24 the local board for public school enrollment may assign a pupil to a charter school
25 based on such enrollment process, the preferences of the pupil's parent or legal
26 guardian, the charter school's admission requirements, the charter contract, and the
27 local board's policies.

28 * * *

1 §5067. Program information reporting system; implementation; requirements;
2 applicability; participation by eligible institutions and others

3 * * *

4 B. The Taylor Opportunity Program for Students information reporting
5 system shall include but not be limited to the following:

6 * * *

7 (7) Demographic information of program award recipients, including but not
8 limited to race and ~~gender~~ sex.

9 * * *

10 Section 11. R.S. 22:1204(A)(10)(b), 1504(I), 1545(I)(1)(introductory paragraph) and
11 (J), 1808.2(H), 2161(B), 2187(D)(4), and 2503(9)(b)(introductory paragraph) are hereby
12 amended and reenacted to read as follows:

13 §1204. Board of directors

14 A. The board of directors shall be composed of the commissioner of
15 insurance or his designee, who shall serve as an ex officio, nonvoting member of the
16 board, and twelve members to be selected from the groups and in the manner as
17 follows:

18 * * *

19 (10)

20 * * *

21 (b) The commissioner shall make all diligent efforts to make selections from
22 these three groups that will represent a racial, ethnic, and ~~gender~~ sex reflection of the
23 state for the board of directors.

24 * * *

25 §1504. Use of credit information

26 An insurer authorized to do business in Louisiana that uses credit information
27 to underwrite or rate risks shall not:

1 §2161. Powers of the commissioner; creation of advisory boards

2 * * *

3 B. The commissioner shall appoint the members of any advisory board
4 created pursuant to this Section. The commissioner shall ensure that his
5 appointments demonstrate race, ~~gender~~ sex, ethnic, and geographical diversity. The
6 commissioner shall promulgate rules and regulations in accordance with the
7 Administrative Procedure Act providing for the creation, governance, duties, and
8 termination of any advisory board created pursuant to this Section.

9 * * *

10 §2187. Actuarial reviews of proposed healthcare legislation

11 * * *

12 D. Contractors shall provide all of the following in the report of an actuarial
13 review performed pursuant to this Section:

14 * * *

15 (4) If available, information concerning who would benefit from any cost
16 changes and health benefits from the legislative proposal, as identified in Paragraphs
17 (C)(3) through (8) of this Section, and any disproportionate effects that the
18 legislative proposal would have on state residents, which information, if available,
19 shall be disaggregated, at a minimum, by race, ethnicity, sex, ~~gender~~ sex, and age.

20 * * *

21 §2503. Definitions

22 As used in this Chapter, the following definitions apply:

23 * * *

24 (9) "Nonpublic information" means electronic information that is not
25 publicly available information and is any of the following:

26 * * *

27 (b) Any information or data, except age or ~~gender~~ sex, in any form or
28 medium created by or derived from a healthcare provider or a consumer, that can be
29 used to identify a particular consumer, and that relates to any of the following:

30 * * *

1 Section 12. R.S. 23:2043(B)(1) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

2 §2043. Members

3 * * *

4 B.(1) In making the appointments, the governor shall, as nearly as
5 practicable, appoint members in a manner that is representative of the population of
6 the regions of the state and shall consider factors including but not limited to race,
7 color, religion, ~~gender~~ sex, and national origin.

8 * * *

9 Section 13. R.S. 27:46(B) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

10 §46. Quarterly reporting of professional services and employment information

11 * * *

12 B. In addition to the report required by Subsection A of this Section, each
13 holder of a license as defined in R.S. 27:44 shall submit to the board, the Senate
14 Committee on Judiciary B, and the House Committee on the Administration of
15 Criminal Justice a report of the demographic information of their workforce,
16 including but not limited to race, ~~gender~~ sex, and Louisiana residency.

17 * * *

18 Section 14. R.S. 32:398.10(A)(2) and 429.3 are hereby amended and reenacted to
19 read as follows:

20 §398.10. Collection and reporting of statistical information relating to traffic stops

21 A. All law enforcement officers defined as a peace officer in R.S. 40:2402
22 shall record and retain the following information:

23 * * *

24 (2) Characteristics of race, ~~gender~~ sex, age, and state of residence of such
25 persons, provided the identification of such characteristics shall be based on the
26 observation and perception of the law enforcement officer responsible for reporting
27 the stop and the information shall not be required to be provided by the person
28 stopped.

29 * * *

1 §429.3. Collection and reporting of statistical information relating to migration of
2 residents

3 The Department of Public Safety and Corrections, office of motor vehicles,
4 shall collect statistical information regarding the ~~gender~~ sex and age of residents
5 moving from parish to parish and residents moving into and out of Louisiana. The
6 office of motor vehicles shall provide a report of this information, sorted by age, by
7 ~~gender~~ sex, by parish, and by state, to the governor, the lieutenant governor, and the
8 secretaries of each state department annually on or before January first of each year.

9 * * *

10 Section 15. R.S. 33:130.302(A)(2), 130.882(A)(2), 363(D), 2740.70.3(B)(2),
11 4071(A)(6), and 4720.301(G)(2) are hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

12 §130.302. Board of commissioners; members; officers; employees

13 A.

14 * * *

15 (2) All commissioners shall be qualified voters and taxpayers within the
16 limits of the district during their term of office and shall reside in St. Landry Parish
17 or within an adjoining parish. In making appointments to the commission, the
18 appointing authorities shall make every effort within the law to provide for racial and
19 ~~gender~~ sex diversity among commissioners and shall make reasonable efforts to
20 ensure that the racial proportion of the appointees reflects the same racial proportion
21 of St. Landry Parish.

22 * * *

23 §130.882. Board of commissioners; members; officers; employees

24 A.

25 * * *

26 (2) Each commissioner shall be a qualified voter and taxpayer within the
27 limits of the district during his term of office and shall reside in St. Martin Parish.
28 In making appointments to the commission, the appointing authorities shall make
29 every effort within the law to provide for racial and ~~gender~~ sex diversity among

1 commissioners and shall make reasonable efforts to ensure that the racial proportion
2 of the appointees reflects the same racial proportion of St. Martin Parish.

3 * * *

4 §363. Village of Palmetto in St. Landry Parish; authority to provide academic
5 scholarships

6 * * *

7 D. Such ordinance or resolution shall provide procedures and criteria for
8 application for and award of such scholarships. Each student to whom a scholarship
9 is awarded shall be a resident of the village of Palmetto in St. Landry Parish, shall
10 be accepted to attend or be enrolled as an undergraduate student in a Louisiana
11 institution of higher education, shall have a cumulative high school or college grade
12 point average of at least three points when calculated on a four-point basis, and shall
13 be adjudged needy by standards equivalent to or more stringent than those of
14 nationally recognized analyses such as those used by the College Scholarship Service
15 or the American College Testing Service. In the event that no student meets the
16 residency criterion, a scholarship may be awarded to a student whose parent or legal
17 guardian is a utility customer of the village in good standing. The village governing
18 authority may establish additional criteria and procedures as are necessary to
19 administer the scholarships. In the administration of the program, no student shall
20 be discriminated against on the basis of race, color, ~~gender~~ sex, disability, as defined
21 in R.S. 51:2232, national origin, or creed.

22 * * *

23 §2740.70.3. Evangeline Economic Development Authority

24 * * *

25 B.

26 * * *

27 (2) The members of the board shall include representatives from the business
28 community, health care, legal and professional services, small business owners,
29 financial institutions, manufacturing or service companies, local and regional
30 educational systems or institutions, and parish and municipal government

1 organizations. The board shall be representative of the parish's population by age,
2 race, and ~~gender~~ sex to ensure diversity.

3 * * *

4 §4071. Creation and organization of sewerage and water board

5 A.

6 * * *

7 (6) The appointments to the board shall reflect the racial and ~~gender~~ sex
8 diversity of the population of the city of New Orleans to the extent practicable.

9 * * *

10 §4720.301. Shreveport Implementation and Redevelopment Authority

11 * * *

12 G.

13 * * *

14 (2) The board shall be representative of the city's population by race and
15 ~~gender~~ sex to ensure diversity.

16 * * *

17 Section 16. R.S. 36:108(B)(5) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

18 §108. Offices; purposes and functions

19 * * *

20 B. The office of economic development shall perform the following
21 functions of the state:

22 * * *

23 (5) The office shall provide services to small and medium-sized businesses
24 in Louisiana, without regard to race or ~~gender~~ sex, and encourage and support the
25 startup of new small businesses and the growth and retention of existing Louisiana
26 firms.

27 * * *

1 Section 17. R.S. 37:832(A)(2), 914(B)(3), 962(C), 1042(B)(1)(b), 1104(A),
2 1172(A), 2102(A)(2), 2353(A)(2), 2403(H), 2407(D), 2455(B)(1), 2704(A)(introductory
3 paragraph), 3061(A)(2)(c), 3084(B)(2), 3201(B)(2), 3386.2(C), 3389(C), 3444(A),
4 3463(B)(1), 3554(A)(2), and 3703(B)(3) are hereby amended and reenacted to read as
5 follows:

6 §832. Louisiana State Board of Embalmers and Funeral Directors; appointments;
7 terms of office

8 A.

9 * * *

10 (2) The board shall consist of nine members to be appointed by the governor,
11 subject to Senate confirmation, as further provided in Subsection B of this Section.
12 All members of the board shall serve at the pleasure of the governor for terms of four
13 years. The governor shall ensure that his appointments demonstrate race, ~~gender~~ sex,
14 ethnic, and geographical diversity.

15 * * *

16 §914. Louisiana State Board of Nursing; appointment of members; term of office;
17 vacancy; officers; compensation

18 * * *

19 B.

20 * * *

21 (3) The governor shall ensure that his appointments demonstrate race, ~~gender~~
22 sex, ethnic, and geographical diversity.

23 * * *

24 §962. Louisiana State Board of Practical Nurse Examiners; method of appointment

25 * * *

26 C. The appointment of members of the board shall be made from a list,
27 containing twice the number of eligibles to be appointed, submitted to the governor
28 by the Louisiana State Medical Society where the appointee shall be a licensed
29 physician, by the Louisiana Federation of Licensed Practical Nurses, Inc., for one of
30 the practical nurses, by the Licensed Practical Nurses of Louisiana, Inc., for one of
31 the practical nurses, by the Louisiana Nursing Home Association, for one practical

1 nurse, by the Louisiana Hospital Association, for one practical nurse, or by the
2 Louisiana State Nurses Association where the appointee shall be a registered nurse.
3 The consumer member may apply directly to the office of the governor. The
4 governor shall ensure that his appointments demonstrate race, ~~gender~~ sex, ethnic, and
5 geographical diversity.

6 * * *

7 §1042. Louisiana State Board of Optometry Examiners; appointment; terms of
8 members; protected action and communication

9 * * *

10 B.(1)

11 * * *

12 (b) One licensed optometrist member of the board shall be appointed by the
13 governor from each of the five board districts in accordance with this Subsection.
14 The governor shall ensure that his appointments demonstrate race, ~~gender~~ sex,
15 ethnic, and geographical diversity.

16 * * *

17 §1104. Louisiana Licensed Professional Counselors Board of Examiners

18 A. There is hereby created in the Louisiana Department of Health the
19 Louisiana Licensed Professional Counselors Board of Examiners, hereafter referred
20 to as the "board", consisting of eleven members who shall be residents of the state
21 of Louisiana. Each term shall be for four years. Seven appointments to the board,
22 including one consumer from the public at large, shall be made by the governor from
23 a list of qualified candidates submitted by the executive board of the Louisiana
24 Counseling Association. The consumer member may also apply directly to the office
25 of the governor. Four appointments to the board shall be made by the governor from
26 a list of qualified candidates submitted by the executive board of the Louisiana
27 Association for Marriage and Family Therapy. Each appointment by the governor
28 shall be submitted to the Senate for confirmation. The governor shall ensure that his
29 appointments demonstrate race, ~~gender~~ sex, ethnic, and geographical diversity.

30 * * *

1 §1172. Membership

2 A. The board shall consist of seventeen members appointed by the governor,
3 including two licensed pharmacists from each of the pharmacy districts as provided
4 in R.S. 37:1173 and one representative of the consumers of Louisiana from the state
5 at-large who possess the qualifications specified in R.S. 37:1174. The governor shall
6 ensure that his appointments demonstrate race, ~~gender~~ sex, ethnic, and geographical
7 diversity.

8 * * *

9 §2102. Board of Examiners; creation; domicile; membership; terms of office

10 A.

11 * * *

12 (2) The governor shall ensure that his appointments demonstrate race, ~~gender~~
13 sex, ethnic, and geographical diversity.

14 * * *

15 §2353. State board of examiners; organization; duties; meetings; fees

16 A.

17 * * *

18 (2) The governor shall appoint members for terms of five years. Each
19 appointment by the governor shall be subject to Senate confirmation. A board
20 member shall not be eligible to succeed himself. All psychologist appointments shall
21 be from a list provided by the Louisiana Psychological Association. The list shall
22 report the results of an election in which persons qualified for board membership
23 may nominate themselves and in which licensed members of the Louisiana
24 Psychological Association and other persons licensed in accordance with the
25 provisions of this Chapter are entitled to one vote for each vacancy on the board.
26 The consumer member may apply directly to the office of the governor. The
27 governor shall ensure that his appointments demonstrate race, ~~gender~~ sex, ethnic, and
28 geographical diversity.

29 * * *

1 §2403. Physical therapy board; composition

2 * * *

3 H. The governor shall ensure that his appointments demonstrate race, ~~gender~~
4 sex, ethnic, and geographical diversity.

5 * * *

6 §2407. Practice of physical therapy defined

7 * * *

8 D. Words used in one ~~gender~~ sex apply also to the other, except as otherwise
9 clearly indicated by the context.

10 * * *

11 §2455. Louisiana Board for Hearing Aid Dealers; composition; districts

12 * * *

13 B.(1) The board shall be composed of nine members. Seven members shall
14 be hearing aid dealers, the eighth member shall be the state health officer or his
15 representative, and the ninth member shall be fifty years of age or over and shall
16 serve as a representative of the hearing aid consumers of Louisiana. The seven
17 hearing aid dealers shall be appointed in the following manner. The Louisiana
18 Society of Hearing Aid Specialists, chartered by the state, shall submit to the
19 governor names of not less than fourteen qualified hearing aid dealers, who shall be
20 actively engaged in the selling and fitting of hearing aids. The governor shall ensure
21 that his appointments demonstrate race, ~~gender~~ sex, ethnic, and geographical
22 diversity.

23 * * *

24 §2704. Board of Social Work Examiners

25 A. There is hereby created a Louisiana State Board of Social Work
26 Examiners within the Louisiana Department of Health. The board shall be subject
27 to the provisions of R.S. 36:803. It shall consist of seven members to include six
28 social workers and one consumer member. The members shall be appointed by the
29 governor, subject to Senate confirmation. All appointees shall be selected from one
30 list compiled by all statewide social work membership organizations that have

1 written bylaws and meet all state and federal laws, and the Louisiana Chapter of the
 2 National Association of Social Workers shall be responsible for the coordination of
 3 this process. The consumer member may apply directly to the office of the governor.
 4 The governor shall ensure that his appointments demonstrate race, ~~gender~~ sex,
 5 ethnic, and geographical diversity. All appointees shall serve no more than two
 6 consecutive full terms. The completion of an unexpired portion of a full term shall
 7 not constitute a full term for purposes of this Section. The board shall consist of the
 8 following members:

9 * * *

10 §3061. Board of Electrolysis Examiners

11 A.

12 * * *

13 (2)

14 * * *

15 (c) Each appointment by the governor shall be submitted to the Senate for
 16 confirmation. The governor shall ensure that his appointments demonstrate race,
 17 ~~gender~~ sex, ethnic, and geographical diversity.

18 * * *

19 §3084. Louisiana State Board of Examiners in Dietetics and Nutrition; membership,
 20 terms, and vacancies; officers; meetings; quorum; compensation

21 * * *

22 B.

23 * * *

24 (2) The governor shall ensure that his appointments demonstrate race, ~~gender~~
 25 sex, ethnic, and geographical diversity.

26 * * *

27 §3201. Radiologic Technology Board of Examiners; method of appointment;
 28 qualifications of members

29 * * *

1 B.

2 * * *

3 (2) Each appointment by the governor shall be submitted to the Senate for
4 confirmation. The governor shall ensure that his appointments demonstrate race,
5 ~~gender~~ sex, ethnic, and geographical diversity.

6 * * *

7 §3386.2. Addictive Disorder Regulatory Authority

8 * * *

9 C. The governor shall ensure that his appointments demonstrate race, ~~gender~~
10 sex, ethnic, and geographical diversity. Members of the board shall serve three-year
11 terms. Members appointed to fill vacancies caused by death, resignation, or removal
12 shall serve the unexpired terms of their predecessors.

13 * * *

14 §3389. Transition; Addictive Disorder Regulatory Authority

15 * * *

16 C. The governor shall ensure that his appointments demonstrate race, ~~gender~~
17 sex, ethnic, and geographical diversity. Members of the board shall serve three-year
18 terms. Members appointed to fill vacancies caused by death, resignation, or removal
19 shall serve the unexpired terms of their predecessors.

20 * * *

21 §3444. Louisiana Licensed Professional Vocational Rehabilitation Counselors
22 Board of Examiners

23 A. There is hereby created in the Louisiana Department of Health the
24 Louisiana Licensed Professional Vocational Rehabilitation Counselors Board of
25 Examiners, referred to hereafter in this Chapter as the "board", consisting of five
26 members who shall be residents of the state of Louisiana. The members shall be
27 appointed by the governor from a list of qualified candidates supplied by the
28 International Association of Rehabilitation Professionals-Louisiana, as specified in
29 this Section. The consumer member may apply directly to the office of the governor.
30 Each term shall be for four years. Each appointment by the governor shall be

1 submitted to the Senate for confirmation. The governor shall ensure that his
2 appointments demonstrate race, ~~gender~~ sex, ethnic, and geographical diversity.

3 * * *

4 §3463. Board; appointments; terms; removal; compensation; officers

5 * * *

6 B.(1) The governor shall appoint, subject to Senate confirmation, members
7 to the board from a list containing the names of five persons, submitted by the
8 Louisiana Association of Wholesale Drug Distributors and from a list containing the
9 names of two persons, submitted by the Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers
10 of America. The consumer member may apply directly to the office of the governor.
11 In the event of the death or resignation of any member of the board, the governor
12 shall appoint his successor in the manner of the original appointment for the
13 remainder of the unexpired term. The governor shall ensure that his appointments
14 demonstrate race, ~~gender~~ sex, ethnic, and geographical diversity.

15 * * *

16 §3554. Louisiana Board of Massage Therapy; creation, membership, qualifications,
17 terms, vacancies, officers, meetings, reimbursement, liability

18 A.

19 * * *

20 (2) The governor shall ensure that his appointments demonstrate race, ~~gender~~
21 sex, ethnic, and geographical diversity.

22 * * *

23 §3703. Louisiana Behavior Analyst Board

24 * * *

25 B.

26 * * *

27 (3) The governor shall ensure that his appointments demonstrate race, ~~gender~~
28 sex, ethnic, and geographical diversity. A vacancy in an unexpired term shall be
29 filled in the manner of the original appointment for the remainder of the unexpired
30 term.

31 * * *

1 Section 18. R.S. 40:31.61, 101(D)(1), 600.151(D)(1)(I)(ii)(hh) and (m)(iv), and
2 2403(H)(1) are hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

3 §31.61. Legislative intent

4 The Legislature of Louisiana wishes to further efforts by the Parkinson's
5 community to find a cure for this devastating disease by helping to determine how
6 many people in the state suffer from Parkinson's and by gathering vital information
7 from these individuals, such as general age, ethnicity, ~~gender~~ sex, as well as possible
8 environmental factors that may have played a part in the development of the disease.
9 Thus, it is the intent of the legislature to establish a system to collect and assess
10 information and data regarding the incidence of Parkinson's disease in the state.

11 * * *

12 §101. Commemorative certificate of miscarried child; requirements

13 * * *

14 D.(1) The commemorative certificate shall contain the name of the fetus and
15 the ~~gender~~ sex, if known. If the name is not furnished by the patient, the vital
16 records registry may complete the commemorative certificate with the name "Baby
17 Boy" or "Baby Girl" and the last name of the patient. If the ~~gender~~ sex of the fetus
18 is unknown, the department shall fill in the commemorative certificate with the name
19 "Baby" and the last name of the patient.

20 * * *

21 §600.151. Louisiana Interagency Council on Homelessness

22 * * *

23 D.(1) The membership of the council shall be reflective of all geographic
24 regions of the state and shall be comprised of the following members:

25 * * *

26 (1)

27 * * *

1 (ii) Each person appointed pursuant to this Subparagraph shall have at least
2 five years of academic or professional expertise in housing or services for people
3 experiencing homelessness with a focus in one or more of the following areas:

4 * * *

5 (hh) Homelessness as it relates to actual or perceived sexual orientation,
6 ~~gender~~ sex identity, or marital status.

7 * * *

8 (m) The executive director of the Louisiana Housing Corporation shall
9 appoint at least two members with lived experience of homelessness. The members
10 shall be appointed from a list of nominations submitted jointly by the governing
11 boards of the continuums of care located in Louisiana. Each member appointed
12 pursuant to this Subparagraph shall represent as many of the following
13 subpopulations as possible:

14 * * *

15 (iv) People with differing actual or perceived sexual orientation, ~~gender~~ sex
16 identity, or marital status.

17 * * *

18 §2403. Council on Peace Officer Standards and Training

19 * * *

20 H.(1) The council may establish and implement curricula and publish
21 training materials to train peace officers to identify, respond to, and report all crimes
22 which are directed against individuals or groups, or their property, by reason of their
23 actual or perceived race, age, ~~gender~~ sex, religion, color, creed, disability, sexual
24 orientation, national origin, or ancestry.

25 * * *

1 Section 19. R.S. 42:2.1(A) and 1132(B)(1)(a) through (c) are hereby amended and
2 reenacted to read as follows:

3 §2.1. Boards, commissions, councils, authorities, entities; composition

4 A. In making appointments to any board, commission, council, authority, or
5 other similar entity that has statewide jurisdiction and is established by law, rule,
6 executive order, or otherwise, the appointing authority shall give due consideration
7 to the demographics of the population of the state, including but not limited to
8 geography, ~~gender~~ sex, and race.

9 * * *

10 §1132. Board of Ethics

11 * * *

12 B. Membership; terms; vacancies; qualifications.

13 (1) The Board of Ethics shall consist of fifteen members to be selected as
14 follows:

15 (a) The governor shall appoint nine members, who shall be representative
16 of the state's population as near as practicable and who shall be subject to Senate
17 confirmation. At least one member shall be appointed from each congressional
18 district, and the governor shall give due consideration to the demographics of the
19 population of the state, including without limitation geography, ~~gender~~ sex, and race.
20 Of those nine, the governor shall appoint at least five members, each of whom shall
21 have been licensed to practice law in this state for at least eight years at the time of
22 his appointment.

23 (b) Three members shall be elected by the House of Representatives, who
24 shall give due consideration to the demographics of the population of the state,
25 including without limitation geography, ~~gender~~ sex, and race.

26 (c) Three members shall be elected by the Senate, who shall give due
27 consideration to the demographics of the population of the state, including without
28 limitation geography, ~~gender~~ sex, and race.

29 * * *

1 Section 20. R.S. 46:153.3(D)(1), 288.5(1), 460.37(B)(10), 1095(A), and
2 1941.8(A)(introductory paragraph) are hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

3 §153.3. Medical vendor reimbursements; allowable restrictions; peer-based
4 prescribing and dispensing practice patterns; Medicaid Pharmaceutical and
5 Therapeutics Committee

6 * * *

7 D.(1) The Medicaid Pharmaceutical and Therapeutics Committee,
8 hereinafter referred to as "the committee", is hereby created within the Louisiana
9 Department of Health. The committee shall be composed of fifteen members
10 appointed by the governor and submitted to the Senate for confirmation. The
11 governor shall ensure that appointments achieve race, ~~gender~~ sex, and geographic
12 diversity.

13 * * *

14 §288.5. Written court report; filing

15 Within one hundred fifty days after the extended foster care voluntary
16 placement agreement is signed, the department shall file with the court a written
17 report that shall contain all of the following:

18 (1) The youth's name, date of birth, race, ~~gender~~ sex, and current address.

19 * * *

20 §460.37. Council on Medicaid Pharmacy Reimbursement; creation; composition,
21 purpose, and duties of the council

22 * * *

23 B.

24 * * *

25 (10) Two licensed pharmacists appointed by the Louisiana Board of
26 Pharmacy who are not currently serving on the board. The board shall strive to
27 ensure its appointments demonstrate race, ~~gender~~ sex, ethnic, and geographical
28 diversity.

29 * * *

1 §1095. Board of commissioners; membership; appointment; terms; compensation;
2 removal

3 A. The two areas of the district shall be governed by separate governing
4 boards. Each area of the district shall be governed by a board of thirteen
5 commissioners, referred to in this Part as the "commission", who shall be qualified
6 voters and residents of Orleans Parish and who shall reflect the ethnic, cultural, and
7 ~~gender~~ sex diversity of the parish.

8 * * *

9 §1941.8. Children and youth services advisory boards; members; duties

10 A. Each planning board shall consist of a minimum of eleven, but not more
11 than twenty-five members. Special care should be given in the appointments to
12 ensure that the board is representative of the community in terms of ~~gender~~ sex, age,
13 ethnicity, and geography, as well as knowledge and expertise. Those appointed shall
14 include the following, if available and willing to serve, but need not be limited to:

15 * * *

16 Section 20. R.S. 47:337.14(E)(2) and 1702(6) are hereby amended and reenacted
17 to read as follows:

18 §337.14. Central collection commission

19 * * *

20 E.

21 * * *

22 (2) The central collection commission of the parish of St. Landry shall be
23 representative of the parish's population by race and ~~gender~~ sex to ensure diversity.

24 * * *

25 §1702. Definitions

26 As used in this Subtitle, the following terms have the meaning ascribed to
27 them in this Section, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

28 * * *

1 Section 24. R.S. 51:942(A) and 1762(A)(8)(a)(iii) are hereby amended and reenacted
2 to read as follows:

3 §942. Small and emerging businesses

4 A. The department shall provide for the increased opportunity for small and
5 emerging businesses to become competitive in a modern economy without regard to
6 race or ~~gender~~ sex. This purpose shall be accomplished by providing a program of
7 assistance and promotion. The following provisions of this Section shall be applied
8 and interpreted to promote this purpose.

9 * * *

10 §1762. Prohibitions; data collection; targeted advertising

11 A. As used in this Chapter, the following terms have the following
12 meanings:

13 * * *

14 (8) "Sensitive personal data" means data collected directly from an account
15 holder online that provides any of the following:

16 (a) Information that reveals any of the following about the account holder:

17 * * *

18 (iii) ~~Gender:~~ Sex.

19 * * *

20 Section 25. R.S. 56:108(A) and 1705(C) are hereby amended and reenacted to read
21 as follows:

22 §108. Deer and turkey harvest records and tagging

23 A. The Wildlife and Fisheries Commission may promulgate and adopt rules
24 and regulations in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act in relation to
25 deer or turkey harvest records and tagging. Such rules and regulations may include
26 the following: tagging requirements, ~~gender~~ sex, age, antler requirements, take,
27 possession, limit, and reporting requirements.

28 * * *

1 §1705. Poverty Point Reservoir Development Dedicated Fund Account

2 * * *

3 C. The Poverty Point Reservoir Development District Board membership
4 shall be representative of the population of the state based on race and gender sex as
5 near as practicable.

6 Section 26. Code of Civil Procedure Article 5055 is hereby amended and reenacted
7 to read as follows:

8 Art. 5055. Number; gender sex

9 Unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

10 (1) Words used in the singular number apply also to the plural; words used
11 in the plural number include the singular; ~~and~~.

12 (2) Words used in one gender sex apply also to the ~~others~~ other sex.

13 Section 27. Code of Criminal Procedure Articles 4, 795(C), (D), and (E), 989, 992,
14 994, 997, 998, and 999.1 are hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

15 Art. 4. Number; gender sex

16 Unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

17 (1) Words used in the singular number apply also to the plural; words used
18 in the plural number include the singular; ~~and~~.

19 (2) Words used in one gender sex apply also to the other.

20 * * *

21 Art. 795. Time for challenges; method; peremptory challenges based on race or
22 gender sex; restrictions

23 * * *

24 C. No peremptory challenge made by the state or the defendant shall be
25 motivated in substantial part on the basis of the race or gender sex of the juror. If
26 an objection is made that a challenge was motivated in substantial part on the basis
27 of race or gender sex, and a prima facie case supporting that objection is made by the
28 objecting party, the court shall demand a satisfactory race or gender sex neutral
29 reason for the exercise of the challenge. Such demand and disclosure shall be made
30 outside of the hearing of any juror or prospective juror. The court shall then

1 determine whether the challenge was motivated in substantial part on the basis of
2 race or ~~gender~~ sex.

3 D. The court shall allow to stand each peremptory challenge exercised for
4 a race or ~~gender~~ sex neutral reason either apparent from the examination or disclosed
5 by counsel when required by the court. The provisions of Paragraph C of this Article
6 and this Paragraph shall not apply when both the state and the defense have exercised
7 a challenge against the same juror.

8 E. The court shall allow to stand each peremptory challenge for which a
9 satisfactory racially neutral or ~~gender~~ sex neutral reason is given. Those jurors who
10 have been peremptorily challenged and for whom no satisfactory racially neutral or
11 ~~gender~~ sex neutral reason is apparent or given may be ordered returned to the panel,
12 or the court may take such other corrective action as it deems appropriate under the
13 circumstances. The court shall make specific findings regarding each such
14 challenge.

15 * * *

16 Art. 989. Motion for expungement forms to be used

17 **STATE OF LOUISIANA**

18 **JUDICIAL DISTRICT FOR THE PARISH OF**

19 _____
20 **No.:** _____ **Division: " _____ "**

21 **State of Louisiana**

22 **vs.**

23 _____
24 **MOTION FOR EXPUNGEMENT**

25 NOW INTO COURT comes mover, who provides the court with the
26 following information in connection with this request:

27 **I. DEFENDANT INFORMATION**

28 NAME: _____

29 (*Last, First, MI*)

30 DOB: _____ / _____ / _____ (MM/DD/YYYY)

1 Name of the offense _____

2 () Time expired for prosecution _____

3 (MM/DD/YYYY)

4 () Not prosecuted for any offense

5 arising out of this charge.

6 () Pre-trial Diversion Program.

7 () DWI Pre-Trial Diversion Program

8 and 5 years have elapsed since the

9 date of arrest.

10 () Charge dismissed

11 () Found not guilty/judgment of acquittal

12 **NO. 2** La. Rev. Stat. Ann. § _____ : _____

13 Name of the offense _____

14 () Time expired for prosecution _____

15 (MM/DD/YYYY)

16 () Not prosecuted for any

17 offense arising out of this charge.

18 () Pre-trial Diversion Program.

19 () Charge dismissed

20 () Found not guilty/judgment of acquittal

21 **NO. 3** La. Rev. Stat. Ann. § _____ : _____

22 Name of the offense _____

23 () Time expired for prosecution _____

24 (MM/DD/YYYY)

25 () Not prosecuted for any offense

26 arising out of this charge.

27 () Pre-trial Diversion Program.

28 () Charge dismissed

29 () Found not guilty/judgment of acquittal

30 ____ Yes ____ No **MISDEMEANOR CONVICTIONS**

1 clerk of court a certified copy of the record of the plea, fingerprints
2 of the defendant, and proof of the requirements set forth in C.Cr.P.
3 Art. 556, which shall include the defendant's date of birth, last four
4 digits of social security number, and driver's license number

5 5. Mover has attached to this Motion the following pertinent documents:

- 6 Criminal Background Check from the La. State Police/Parish Sheriff
7 dated within the past 60 days (required).
- 8 Bill(s) of Information (if any).
- 9 Minute entry showing final disposition of case (if any).
- 10 Certification Letter from the District Attorney for fee waiver (if
11 eligible).
- 12 Certification Letter from the District Attorney verifying that the
13 applicant has no convictions or pending applicable criminal charges
14 in the requisite time periods.
- 15 Certification Letter from the District Attorney verifying that the
16 charges were refused.
- 17 Certification Letter from the District Attorney verifying that the
18 applicant did not participate in a pretrial diversion program.
- 19 A copy of a first offender pardon.
- 20 A copy of the order waiving the sex offender registration and
21 notification requirements.
- 22 A copy of the court order determination of factual innocence and
23 order of compensation for a wrongful conviction pursuant to the
24 provisions of R.S. 15:572.8 if applicable.

25 The Mover prays that if there is no objection timely filed by the arresting law
26 enforcement agency, the district attorney's office, or the Louisiana Bureau of
27 Criminal Identification and Information, that an order be issued herein ordering the
28 expungement of the record of arrest and/or conviction set forth above, including all
29 photographs, fingerprints, disposition, or any other such information, which record
30 shall be confidential and no longer considered a public record, nor be made available

1 to other persons, except a prosecutor, member of a law enforcement agency, or a
 2 judge who may request such information in writing, certifying that such request is
 3 for the purpose of prosecuting, investigating, or enforcing the criminal law, for the
 4 purpose of any other statutorily defined law enforcement or administrative duties,
 5 or for the purpose of the requirements of sex offender registration and notification
 6 pursuant to the provisions of R.S. 15:541 et seq. or as an order of this Court to any
 7 other person for good cause shown, or as otherwise authorized by law.

8 If an "Affidavit of No Opposition" by each agency named herein is attached
 9 hereto and made a part hereof, Defendant requests that no contradictory hearing be
 10 required and the Motion be granted ex parte.

11 Respectfully submitted,

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13 Signature of Attorney for Mover/Defendant

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15 Attorney for Mover/Defendant Name

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17 Attorney's Bar Roll No.

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Art. 992. Order of expungement form to be used

STATE OF LOUISIANA

JUDICIAL DISTRICT FOR THE PARISH OF

No.: _____

Division: " _____ "

State of Louisiana

vs.

ORDER OF EXPUNGEMENT OF ARREST/CONVICTION RECORD

Considering the Motion for Expungement

The hearing conducted and evidence adduced herein, OR

Affidavits of No Opposition filed,

1 **IT IS ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED**

2 **THE MOTION IS DENIED** for No(s). _____ for the following
3 reasons (check all that apply):

4 More than five years have not elapsed since Mover completed the
5 misdemeanor conviction sentence.

6 More than ten years have not elapsed since Mover completed the felony
7 conviction sentence.

8 Mover was convicted of one of the following ineligible felony
9 offenses:

10 A violation of the Uniform Controlled Dangerous Substances Law
11 which is ineligible to be expunged.

12 An offense currently listed as a sex offense that requires registration
13 pursuant to R.S. 15:540 et seq., at the time the Motion was filed,
14 regardless of whether the duty to register was ever imposed.

15 An offense defined or enumerated as a "crime of violence" pursuant
16 to R.S. 14:2(B) at the time the Motion was filed.

17 The arrest and conviction being sought to have expunged is for
18 operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated and a copy of the proof
19 from the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, office of
20 motor vehicles, is not attached as required by C.Cr.P. Art. 984(A).

21 Mover was convicted of a misdemeanor which arose from
22 circumstances involving a sex offense as defined in R.S. 15:541.

23 Mover was convicted of misdemeanor offense of domestic abuse
24 battery which was not dismissed pursuant to C.Cr.P. Art. 894(B).

25 Mover did not complete pretrial diversion.

26 The charges against the mover were not dismissed or refused.

27 Mover's felony conviction was not set aside and dismissed pursuant
28 to C.Cr.P. Art. 893(E).

29 Mover's felony conviction was not set aside and dismissed pursuant
30 to C.Cr.P. Art. 894(B).

1 is entitled to expungement by redaction pursuant to Code of Criminal Procedure
 2 Article 985, for No(s). _____ and all agencies are ordered to expunge the
 3 record of arrest/conviction and any photographs, fingerprints, or any other such
 4 information of any kind maintained in relation to the Arrest(s)/Conviction(s) in the
 5 above-captioned matter as they relate to the mover only. The record shall be
 6 confidential and no longer considered a public record, nor be available to other
 7 persons except a prosecutor, member of a law enforcement agency, or a judge who
 8 may request such information in writing certifying that such request is for the
 9 purpose of prosecuting, investigating, or enforcing the criminal law, for the purpose
 10 of any other statutorily defined law enforcement or administrative duties, or for the
 11 purpose of the requirements of sex offender registration and notification pursuant to
 12 the provisions of R.S. 15:541 et seq. or upon an order of this Court to any other
 13 person for good cause shown, or as otherwise authorized by law.

14 NAME: _____

15 (Last, First, MI)

16 DOB: ____/____/____ (MM/DD/YY)

17 ~~GENDER~~ SEX: ____ Female ____ Male

18 SSN (last 4 digits): XXX-XX-_____

19 RACE: _____

20 DRIVER LIC.# _____

21 ARRESTING AGENCY: _____

22 SID# (if available): _____

23 ARREST NUMBER (ATN): _____

24 AGENCY ITEM NUMBER: _____

25 ARREST DATE: ____/____/____ (MM/DD/YY)

26 **THUS ORDERED AND SIGNED** this ____ day of _____, 20 ____

27 at _____, Louisiana.

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29 JUDGE

- 1 **PLEASE SERVE:**
- 2 1. District Attorney: _____
- 3 2. Arresting Agency: _____
- 4 3. Parish Sheriff: _____
- 5 4. Louisiana Bureau of Criminal Identification and Information _____
- 6 5. Attorney for Defendant (or defendant) _____
- 7 6. Clerk of Court _____

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Art. 994. Motion for interim expungement form to be used

STATE OF LOUISIANA
JUDICIAL DISTRICT FOR THE PARISH OF

No.: _____ **Division: " _____ "**

State of Louisiana

vs.

MOTION FOR INTERIM EXPUNGEMENT

NOW INTO COURT comes mover, who provides the court with the following information in connection with this request:

I. DEFENDANT INFORMATION

NAME: _____

(Last, First, MI)

DOB: _____/_____/_____ (MM/DD/YYYY)

~~GENDER~~ SEX ____ Female ____ Male

SSN (last 4 digits): XXX-XX-_____

RACE: _____

DRIVER LIC.# _____

ARRESTING AGENCY: _____

SID# (if available): _____

ARREST NUMBER (ATN): _____

1 AGENCY ITEM NO. _____

2 Mover is entitled to an interim expungement of the entry of the felony
3 charge(s) of his arrest pursuant to Louisiana Code of Criminal Procedure Article
4 985.1 and states the following in support:

5 **II. ARREST INFORMATION**

6 1. Mover was arrested on ____/____/____ (MM/DD/YYYY)

7 2. ____ YES ____ NO A supplemental sheet with arrests and/or
8 convictions is attached after page 2 of this
9 Motion.

10 3. Mover was:

11 ____ YES ____ NO Arrested for a felony offense.

12 ____ YES ____ NO Convicted of a misdemeanor arising out of
13 that felony offense.

14 4. Mover was booked and/or charged with the following offenses: (List each
15 offense booked and charged separately. Attach a supplemental sheet, if
16 necessary.)

17 ____ Yes ____ No **FELONY ARREST THAT RESULTED IN A**
18 **MISDEMEANOR CONVICTION**

19 **NO. 1** La. Rev. Stat. Ann. § _____ : _____

20 Name of the offense _____

21 _____

22 (MM/DD/YYYY)

23 () Felony charge dismissed.

24 () Convicted of misdemeanor offense arising out of
25 felony arrest.

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PLEASE SERVE:

- 1. District Attorney _____
- 2. Louisiana Bureau of Criminal Identification and Information _____
- 3. Arresting Agency _____

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Art. 997. Certification of human trafficking victim status

STATE OF LOUISIANA

JUDICIAL DISTRICT FOR THE PARISH OF _____

NO.: _____ DIVISION: _____

STATE OF LOUISIANA
vs.

CERTIFICATION OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING VICTIM STATUS

In accordance with the provisions of Louisiana Code of Criminal Procedure Article 983, the Office of the District Attorney has reviewed and determined that one,

_____,
~~RACE / GENDER~~ SEX: _____ DOB: _____
_____, SSN: _____, has

established by a preponderance of the evidence proof of status as a victim of human trafficking in accordance with the provisions of R.S. 14:46.2, for the following offense(s), detailed specifically as follows:

(If more than one offense, each relevant offense must be specifically listed in the following format)

OFFENSE: _____
DOCKET NO: _____
CHARGE: _____
DATE OF ARREST: _____
ARRESTING AGENCY: _____
CITY/PARISH OF ARREST: _____

FURTHER, that the above offense(s) for which this Certification issued was committed, in substantial part, as a result of the above-named being a victim of human trafficking, in accordance with R.S. 14:46.2.

FURTHER, this Certification shall be considered as prima facie evidence of the victim's status in similar eligible crimes committed within other Louisiana jurisdictions during the time period in which the above-named was a victim of human trafficking.

FURTHER, all applicable time delays pertaining to expungement contained in Louisiana Code of Criminal Procedure Articles 977 and 978 shall be waived when presented to the clerk of court with an application for expungement of the above-specified offense(s).

FURTHER, any application for expungement of the above-specified offense(s) shall be at no cost to the above-named victim.

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DISTRICT ATTORNEY
PARISH OF _____

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JUDICIAL DISTRICT
STATE OF LOUISIANA

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Art. 998. Motion for expungement form to be used for certain misdemeanor convictions

**STATE OF LOUISIANA
JUDICIAL DISTRICT FOR THE PARISH OF**

No.: _____ Division: " _____ "
State of Louisiana
vs.

**MOTION FOR EXPUNGEMENT FOR MISDEMEANOR CONVICTION FOR A
FIRST OFFENSE POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA**

NOW INTO COURT comes mover, who provides the court with the following information in connection with this request:

I. DEFENDANT INFORMATION

NAME: _____
(Last, First, MI)
DOB: _____ / _____ / _____ (MM/DD/YYYY)
~~GENDER~~ SEX _____ Female _____ Male
SSN (last 4 digits): XXX-XX-_____
RACE: _____
DRIVER LIC.# _____
ARRESTING AGENCY: _____
SID# (if available): _____
ARREST NUMBER (ATN): _____
AGENCY ITEM NO. _____

Mover is entitled to expunge the record of his arrest/conviction pursuant to Louisiana Code of Criminal Procedure Article 971 et seq. and states the following in support:

II. MISDEMEANOR CONVICTION FOR A FIRST OFFENSE POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA

1. Mover was convicted on _____ / _____ / _____ (MM/DD/YYYY)
The Mover prays that if there is no objection timely filed by the arresting law enforcement agency, the district attorney's office, or the Louisiana Bureau of Criminal Identification and Information, that an order be issued herein ordering the expungement of the record of arrest and/or conviction set forth above, including all photographs, fingerprints, disposition, or any other such information, which record shall be confidential and no longer considered a public record, nor be made available to other persons, except a prosecutor, member of a law enforcement agency, or a judge who may request such information in writing, certifying that such request is for the purpose of prosecuting, investigating, or enforcing the criminal law, for the purpose of any other statutorily defined law enforcement or administrative duties, or for the purpose of the requirements of sex offender registration and notification pursuant to the provisions of R.S. 15:541 et seq. or as an order of this court to any other person for good cause shown, or as otherwise authorized by law.
If an "Affidavit of No Opposition" by each agency named herein is attached hereto and made a part hereof, defendant requests that no contradictory hearing be required and the motion be granted ex parte.

Respectfully submitted,

Signature of Attorney for Mover/Defendant

Attorney for Mover/Defendant Name

Attorney's Bar Roll No.

1 protect a child from further victimization after the child is discovered to be a
 2 sexually exploited child by ensuring that a child protective response is in place in the
 3 state. This is to be accomplished by presuming that any child engaged in prostitution,
 4 prostitution by massage, or crime against nature by solicitation is a victim of sex
 5 trafficking and providing these children with the appropriate care and services where
 6 possible. In determining the need for and capacity of services that may be provided,
 7 the Department of Children and Family Services shall recognize that sexually
 8 exploited children have separate and distinct service needs according to gender sex,
 9 and every effort should be made to ensure these children are not prosecuted or
 10 treated as juvenile delinquents, but instead are given the appropriate social services.

11 * * *

12 Art. 1217.1. Reporting requirement; statistical availability

13 A. For each adopted child, the court shall ensure that the department receives
 14 all of the following information:

15 * * *

16 (4) The gender sex of the child.

17 * * *

18 Art. 1239.1. Reporting requirement; statistical availability

19 A. For each adopted child, the court shall ensure that the department receives
 20 all of the following information:

21 * * *

22 (4) The gender sex of the child.

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24 Section 29. The Louisiana State Law Institute is hereby authorized and directed to
 25 change all references in law from gender to sex as it pertains to personally identifiable
 26 information of an individual.

27 Section 30. This Act shall be known as the "Restoring Biological Truth Act".

DIGEST

The digest printed below was prepared by House Legislative Services. It constitutes no part of the legislative instrument. The keyword, one-liner, abstract, and digest do not constitute part of the law or proof or indicia of legislative intent. [R.S. 1:13(B) and 24:177(E)]

HB 578 Reengrossed

2026 Regular Session

Mike Johnson

Abstract: Defines "sex" and changes all references from "gender" to "sex".

Present law provides for the following:

- (1) Definitions and use of gender or the number of persons in present law.
- (2) Boards, commissions, committees, authorities, and council appointments or membership of the La. Industrial Hemp Promotion and Research Advisory Bd., La. Equine Promotion and Research Advisory Bd., hospital advisory committees, Bd. of Supervisors of Community and Technical Colleges, advisory councils, children and youth services advisory boards, postsecondary education management boards, charter school boards, La. State Bd. of Embalmers and Funeral Directors, La. State Bd. of Nursing, La. State Bd. of Practical Nurse Examiners, La. State Bd. of Optometry Examiners, La. Licensed Professional Counselors Bd. of Examiners, Bd. of Pharmacy, La. State Bd. of Examiners for Sanitarians, La. State Bd. of Examiners of Psychologists, La. Physical Therapy Bd., La. Bd. for Hearing Aid Dealers, La. State Bd. of Social Work Examiners, Bd. of Electrolysis Examiners, La. State Bd. of Examiners in Dietetics and Nutrition, Radiologic Technology Bd. of Examiners, Addictive Disorder Regulatory Authority, La. Licensed Professional Vocational Rehabilitation Counselors Bd. of Examiners, La. Bd. of Massage Therapy, La. Behavior Analyst Bd., La. Bd. of Drug and Device Distributors, La. Interagency Council on Homelessness, Council on Peace Officer Standards and Training, La. Bd. of Ethics, Medicaid Pharmaceutical and Therapeutics Committee, Council on Medicaid Pharmacy Reimbursement, La. Economic Development, central collection commissions, Volunteer La. Commission, Ouachita Expressway Authority, Shreveport Implementation and Redevelopment Authority, Sewage and Water Bd., Evangeline Economic Development Authority, Village of Palmetto in St. Landry Parish, Bd. of Commissioners St. Martin Parish, Bd. of Commissioners St. Landry Parish, and La. Workforce Investment Council.
- (3) Data collection and reports for criminal justice reform, the office of juvenile justice, schools, traffic citations, and migration of residents.
- (4) Criminal matters regarding peremptory exceptions, expungement forms, detention centers, hate crimes, education, training and discipline, work opportunities, vocational training, contracts and agreements, solitary confinement, and impaired tracking systems.
- (5) Insurance matters regarding examinations, the La. Health Plan, and actuarial reviews.
- (6) The Poverty Point Reservoir Development Dedicated Fund Account, Police Pension Fund for the Police Dept. of the City of New Orleans, and Firefighters' Pension and Relief Fund in the City of New Orleans.
- (7) The Uniform International Child Abduction Prevention Act.
- (8) The La. Riverboat Economic Development and Gaming Control Act.
- (9) The La. Parkinson's Disease Registry.

- (10) The Parish Hospital Service District for the Parish of Orleans.
- (11) Targeted advertisements, gestational carriers, horse racing, commemorative certificates, small and emerging businesses, and deer and turkey harvest records and tagging.

Proposed law generally retains present law but changes references from "gender" to "sex".

Proposed law defines "sex" as an individual's biological sex, either male or female, as observed or clinically certified at birth. Gender identity and other subjective terms shall not be used as synonyms or substitutes for sex.

Proposed law also authorizes and directs the La. State Law Institute to change all references in law from gender to sex as it pertains to the personally identifiable information of an individual.

Proposed law may be known and cited as the "Restoring Biological Truth Act".

(Amends C.C. Art. 14, C.C.P. Art. 5055, C.Cr.P. Arts. 4, 795(C), (D), and (E), 989, 992, 994, 997, 998, and 999.1, Ch.C. Arts. 106, 720(B)(1), 725, 1217.1(A)(4), and 1239.1(A)(4), R.S. 1:8, R.S. 3:1493(E) and 2074(E), R.S. 4:158.2(A)(2) and 193(B), R.S. 9:2720(D), R.S. 11:3390 and 3662, R.S. 13:1856(A)(1) and 1857(A)(8)(d)(ii) and (iii), R.S. 14:107.2(A), R.S. 15:827.3(A)(2)(c)(i), 832(A), 905(F)(13)(b) and (14)(a)(ii) and (d)(ii), 933(D)(4)(intro. para.) and (E)(1)(intro. para.), 934(B)(4), 1110(D)(3), 1204.2(B)(4), and 1228.9(D)(1)(a), R.S. 17:17.5(B)(2), 100.13(G)(2)(f) and (J), 221.3(B)(2)(d), 416(M), 416.21(N)(3)(a) and (b)(i)(aa) and (bb), 1519.7(C), 1871(A)(3), 1998, 3047.7(B)(2)(a), 3351(B)(2)(b)(ii), 3399.12(5)(i), 3911(B)(1)(i)(intro. para.) and (4)(a)(intro. para.), 3991(A)(1)(b)(iv) and (B)(3), and 5067(B)(7), R.S. 22:1204(A)(10)(b), 1504(1), 1545(I)(1)(intro. para.) and (J), 1808.2(H), 2161(B), 2187(D)(4), and 2503(9)(b)(intro. para.), R.S. 23:2043(B)(1), R.S. 27:46(B), R.S. 32:398.10(A)(2) and 429.3, R.S. 33:130.302(A)(2), 130.882(A)(2), 363(D), 2740.70.3(B)(2), 4071(A)(6), and 4720.301(G)(2), R.S. 36:108(B)(5), R.S. 37:832(A)(2), 914(B)(3), 962(C), 1042(B)(1)(b), 1104(A), 1172(A), 2102(A)(2), 2353(A)(2), 2403(H), 2407(D), 2455(B)(1), 2704(A)(intro. para.), 3061(A)(2)(c), 3084(B)(2), 3201(B)(2), 3386.2(C), 3389(C), 3444(A), 3463(B)(1), 3554(A)(2), and 3703(B)(3), R.S. 40:31.61, 101(D)(1), 600.151(D)(1)(l)(ii)(hh) and (m)(iv) and 2403(H)(1), R.S. 42:2.1(A) and 1132(B)(1)(a)-(c), R.S. 46:153.3(D)(1), 288.5(1), 460.37(B)(10), 1095(A), and 1941.8(A)(intro. para.), R.S. 47:337.14(E)(2) and 1702(6), R.S. 48:2134(C)(intro. para.), R.S. 49:1112(B)(1), R.S. 51:942(A) and 1762(A)(8)(a)(iii), R.S. 56:108(A) and 1705(C))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Civil Law and Procedure to the original bill:

1. Make technical changes.

The House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill:

1. Make technical changes.