

**HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS****HB 446****2015 Regular Session****Miguez**

**CURRICULA:** Authorizes firearm accident prevention and safety instruction for elementary school students

**Synopsis of Senate Amendments**

1. Deletes provision prohibiting the inclusion of firearms in instruction.
2. Specifies the La. Law Enforcement for Gun Safety program as an example of a program that is substantially similar to the Eddie Eagle Gunsafe Program.

**Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate**

Proposed law permits each city, parish, and other local public school board to provide age and grade appropriate classroom instruction regarding firearm accident prevention and safety to elementary school students. Requires that such instruction be integrated into an existing course of study, and specifies that the purpose of such instruction shall be to promote the protection and safety of children. Provides that such instruction shall adopt or be based on the Eddie Eagle Gunsafe Program developed by the National Rifle Assoc. or a substantially similar program, such as the La. Law Enforcement for Gun Safety program, designed to promote firearm accident prevention and safety. Prohibits such instruction from including the expression of value judgments about the use of firearms by teachers, school personnel, or any other instructors. Requires the school board to determine the timing and duration of the instruction.

(Adds R.S. 17:282.5)