

2016 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 335

BY SENATOR CLAITOR

STUDENTS. Prohibits charter schools from requiring disclosure of certain student information. (gov sig)

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 17:154.2 and 3991(E)(6), relative to public elementary and secondary
3 education; to prohibit public schools from requiring disclosure of certain student
4 information; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 17:154.2 and 3991(E)(6) are hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 **§154.2. Enrollment of students with special needs**

8 **A. No public school or public school governing authority shall require**
9 **the parent or legal guardian of any student to disclose the student's medical**
10 **information or special education needs prior to enrolling the student in a public**
11 **school, unless otherwise specifically required by law.**

12 **B. Nothing herein shall prohibit a public school from providing an**
13 **enrollment preference to a student with special needs when the student's parent**
14 **or legal guardian has voluntarily provided the school with information**
15 **regarding such needs.**

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17 §3991. Charter schools; requirements; limitations; renewal; amendment; revocation

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2 E. A charter school shall not:

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4 **(6)(a) Require the parent or legal guardian of any student to disclose**
5 **medical information or special education needs prior to the student being**
6 **enrolled in the charter school, unless otherwise specifically required by law.**

7 **(b) Nothing herein shall prohibit a charter school from providing an**
8 **enrollment preference to a student with special needs when the student's parent**
9 **or legal guardian has voluntarily provided the school with information**
10 **regarding such needs.**

11 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
12 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
13 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
14 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
15 effective on the day following such approval.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Cheryl Serrett.

DIGEST

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Proposed law prohibits public schools, including charter schools, from requiring the parent or legal guardian of a student to disclose medical information or special education needs prior to enrolling the student, unless otherwise specifically required by law. Allows public schools to provide an enrollment preference to a student with special needs when the student's parent or legal guardian voluntarily provides the school with such information.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Adds R.S. 17:154.2 and 3991(E)(6))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Education to the original bill

1. Makes technical changes.
2. Makes provisions of proposed law applicable to all public schools.
3. Allows parents to voluntary submit student information and schools to provide enrollment preferences using that information.