

2020 Second Extraordinary Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 96

BY REPRESENTATIVES FREEMAN, ADAMS, BACALA, BRYANT, BUTLER, CARRIER, GARY CARTER, ROBBY CARTER, WILFORD CARTER, CORMIER, COX, DUPLESSIS, FREIBERG, GAINES, GREEN, HILFERTY, JEFFERSON, JENKINS, TRAVIS JOHNSON, JONES, JORDAN, LACOMBE, LANDRY, LARVADAIN, LYONS, MARCELLE, MCKNIGHT, NEWELL, PHELPS, PIERRE, SELDERS, THOMPSON, WHITE, AND WILLARD

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 17:3914(M) and to repeal R.S. 17:3914(M), relative to student information;  
3 to require school governing authorities to share certain student information with the  
4 Department of Children and Family Services for the purpose of facilitating the  
5 administration of the pandemic electronic benefits transfer program; to provide  
6 exceptions; and to provide for related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 17:3914(M) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

9 §3914. Student information; privacy; legislative intent; definitions; prohibitions;  
10 parental access; penalties

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12 M.(1) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary and except as  
13 provided in Paragraph (2) of this Subsection, the governing authority of each public  
14 or nonpublic school or other entity that participates in a meal program through which  
15 students are eligible for the pandemic electronic benefits transfer program shall share  
16 student information with the Department of Children and Family Services for the  
17 purpose of facilitating program administration, including but not limited to the  
18 automatic issuance of benefits to eligible families. Such information shall be limited  
19 to the first name, last name, address, and date of birth of each student eligible for free  
20 or reduced price meals at school.

1                   (2) Such a governing authority shall not share a student's information if his  
2                   parent or legal guardian has chosen not to share information pursuant to the policy  
3                   of the governing authority.

4                   Section 2. R.S. 17:3914(M) is hereby repealed in its entirety.

5                   Section 3.(A) Section 1 and this Section of this Act shall become effective  
6                   upon signature of this Act by the governor or, if not signed by the governor, upon  
7                   expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature by the governor, as  
8                   provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If this Act is  
9                   vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, Section 1 and  
10                  this Section of this Act shall become effective on the day following such approval.

11                  (B) Section 2 of this Act shall become effective on June 10, 2021.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_