

2018 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 129

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FAMILY LAW. Provides relative to foster care children in high school. (gov sig)

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AN ACT

To enact R.S. 46:286.24, relative to foster care; to provide relative to education; to provide that a child may remain in foster care until he graduates from high school under certain circumstances; to provide terms, conditions, and requirements; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 46:286.24 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§286.24. Foster care; high school student

The Department of Children and Family Services shall allow a child who is in foster care and who is also a full-time high school student to remain in foster care until he attains the age of twenty-one or graduates from high school, whichever occurs first.

Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become 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 Xavier I. Alexander.

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Proposed law provides that a child who is in foster care through the Department of Children and Family Services and who is also a full-time student in high school, shall remain in foster care until he attains the age of 21 or completes high school.

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

(Adds R.S. 46:286.24)