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Abstract: Authorizes the state Dept. of Education (DOE) to release limited student information to an out-of-state person or public or private entity for purposes of research at any accredited postsecondary education institution.

Present law generally prohibits an official or employee of a city, parish, or other local public school system from providing personally identifiable student information to any member of the school board or to any other person or public or private entity. Present law provides certain exceptions to this general prohibition including providing information to the state DOE for the purpose of satisfying state and federal assessment, auditing, funding, monitoring, program administration, and state accountability requirements, provided that sufficient personally identifiable information is removed so that the remaining information alone cannot be used to identify a student. Present law authorizes officials and employees of DOE to share such information with a person or public or private entity outside of La. only for purposes of academic analysis of assessments.

Proposed law further authorizes officials and employees of DOE to share such information with a person or public or private entity outside of La. for purposes of research at any postsecondary education institution accredited by a regional or national accrediting organization recognized by the U.S. Dept. of Education.

(Amends R.S. 17:3914(C)(2)(b))