## **DIGEST**

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**Abstract:** Provides relative to the bullying of students in public elementary and secondary schools.

<u>Present law</u> requires each public school governing authority to provide training each year for all school employees with respect to bullying.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and expands the topics covered by the training program to include the following matters:

- (1) Student and family engagement.
- (2) Discrimination on the basis of race, nationality, gender, English Language Learner status, or disability status.
- (3) Faculty and staff diversity.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires the governing authority of each public elementary and secondary school to establish and enforce a safe schools policy. Such policy shall include but not be limited to:

- (1) Preventing and eliminating discrimination.
- (2) Fostering inclusive environment for minorities and female students.

(Amends R.S. 17:416.13(B)(2)(b)(intro. para.); Adds R.S. 17:416.13(B)(2)(b)(vi), (vii), and (viii) and 416.14)