

2020 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 297

BY SENATOR BARROW

SCHOOLS. Provides relative to discipline of a teacher or employee arrested for sexual offenses affecting a minor. (gov sig)

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 17:443(E), relative to the discipline of teachers; to provide that a teacher

3 arrested for any sexual offense affecting minors be placed on administrative leave

4 until disposition of the charges in his favor; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 17:443(E) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 §443. Discipline of teachers; procedure; right of review; exceptions

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9 E. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, any teacher

10 who has been arrested for a violation of any of the following: R.S. 14:42 through

11 43.5, 80 through 81.5, any other sexual offense affecting minors, or any of the

12 crimes provided in R.S. 15:587.1 shall immediately be placed on administrative

13 leave by the employing city, parish, or other local school board and shall remain

14 on such leave until the charges are disposed of in his favor.

15 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not

16 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature

17 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If

