

2021 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 394

BY REPRESENTATIVES RISER AND THOMPSON AND SENATORS BARROW,
BERNARD, BOUDREAUX, BOUIE, FESI, FIELDS, FOIL, HARRIS, HEWITT,
JACKSON, JOHNS, LUNEAU, MCMATH, FRED MILLS, MIZELL, PETERSON,
POPE, PRICE, SMITH, AND WARD

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 17:3399.18, relative to campus safety and accountability; to require
3 postsecondary education institutions to post security reports on their websites; to
4 provide relative to the information contained in the security reports; to provide for
5 compliance monitoring relative to the security reports by the Board of Regents; to
6 provide for penalties and enforcement; and to provide for related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 17:3399.18 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

9 §3399.18. Disclosure of campus security policies and campus crime statistics

10 A.(1) Each campus of each public postsecondary education institution shall
11 publish on its website a semiannual security report that contains updated campus
12 security policies and campus crime statistics. The reports shall be updated and
13 posted by April tenth and October tenth of each academic year. The information in
14 the report shall include, at a minimum, all of the information relative to such policies
15 and statistics specified in the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and
16 Campus Crime Statistics Act, 20 U.S.C. 1092, referred to in this Section as the Clery
17 Act.

18 (2) The report shall be posted in a prominent location that is readily
19 accessible from the main landing page of each campus's website. If an individual
20 campus does not have its own website, it shall be posted on the main website of the
21 institution with the campus clearly indicated.

22 B.(1) The Board of Regents shall monitor websites for compliance with this
23 Section. The board shall notify the House Committee on Education, the Senate

1 Committee on Education, and the State Bond Commission upon an institution's
 2 failure to comply with this Section. For a period of two years following such a
 3 notification, the State Bond Commission shall not authorize the institution to incur
 4 any debt that is subject to the commission's approval.

5 (2) Any person may commence a suit in the district court for the parish in
 6 which an action in violation of this Section occurred for the issuance of a writ of
 7 mandamus or injunctive or declaratory relief to require compliance with the
 8 provisions of this Section, together with reasonable attorney fees and costs.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____