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Abstract: Prohibits restricting a student's airway as a form of corporal punishment in elementary and secondary schools.

<u>Present law</u> defines corporal punishment as the use of physical force that causes pain or discomfort to discipline a student, not including seclusion or restraint under certain circumstances.

<u>Present law</u> prohibits the use of any form of corporal punishment for students in elementary and secondary schools unless a parent or legal guardian provides written consent for the use of corporal punishment.

<u>Proposed law</u> prohibits taping a student's mouth shut or restricting a student's airway as forms of student discipline, regardless of parental consent for the use of corporal punishment.

<u>Present law</u> is applicable to charter schools and nonpublic schools that receive state funds. <u>Proposed</u> <u>law</u> also applies to such schools.

(Amends R.S. 17:416.1(B)(2))