

**SENATE SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS**

**SB 358**

**2024 Regular Session**

**Mizell**

**KEYWORD AND SUMMARY AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE**

STUDENTS. Provides for mandatory expulsion. (8/1/24)

**SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO THE SENATE BILL**

1. Technical amendments

**DIGEST OF THE SENATE BILL AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE**

DIGEST

SB 358 Engrossed

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Present law provides for mandatory expulsion for a student who is 16-years old or older and who is in possession of a firearm.

Proposed law retains present law but removes the age restriction and changes the mandatory expulsion requirements to apply to students in grades six through 12.

Proposed law provides as grounds for mandatory expulsion the following, a blade equal to or in excess of two and one-half inches in length, or any illegal narcotic, drug or other controlled substance. Further provides that mandatory expulsion is to occur if the student has already been expelled for three other offenses that are not related to dress codes or tardiness.

Proposed law provides that any student in grades six through 12 who is found guilty of being in possession of tobacco, alcohol, or vaping product on school property, a school bus, or at a school-sponsored event may be recommended for expulsion.

Present law provides that any student expelled from school may be readmitted on a probationary basis to school at any time during the specified period of expulsion on terms and conditions as may be stipulated by the local public school board and agreed to in writing by the student and by the student's parent or guardian.

Proposed law retains present law but changes the authority to extend the stipulation for probation from the local public school board to the superintendent.

Effective August 1, 2024.

(Amends R.S. 14:416(C)(2)(a),(b),(c), and (d)(i))

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