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Abstract: Requires the assignment of student identification numbers to children in certain early learning programs.

Present law provides for the collection and use of certain student data and information for specified purposes.

Present law requires each local public school board to assign a student identification number to every student enrolled in a public elementary or secondary school.

Proposed law retains present law.

Proposed law requires the state Dept. of Education (DOE) to assign such a number to every child participating in a publicly funded program at one of the following:

  (1)   A prekindergarten program at a school.

  (2)   An early learning center as defined by present law (R.S. 17:407.33).

Proposed law authorizes DOE to assign such a number to a child in a program that is not publicly funded at one of the above early childcare settings with parental consent.

Proposed law requires DOE to assign only one number to each child, and such number shall be assigned to a child through his tenure in early childhood education and public elementary and secondary schools.

Requires proposed law to be initially implemented no later than August 1, 2027.

(Amends R.S. 17:3914(C)(3))