

# ACT No. 661

2026 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 632

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AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:3138.12(E), (F), and (H)(2) and to enact R.S. 17:3914(P) and 3996(B)(24), relative to Louisiana's Foundational Integrated Research System for Transformation; to provide relative to information sharing for system purposes; to provide for definitions; to provide for applicability; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 17:3138.12(E), (F), and (H)(2) are hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 17:3914(P) and 3996(B)(24) are hereby enacted to read as follows:

§3138.12. Louisiana's Foundational Integrated Research System for Transformation  
(LA FIRST)

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E. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, LA FIRST, through the Board of Regents, shall be provided access to all data listed in the data-sharing agreement developed with each state entity. Access to the data of each entity listed in Paragraph (C)(1) of this Section shall be provided through the office of technology services on equipment provided by the office of technology services. Once the Kathleen Babineaux Blanco Public Policy Center has been provided access to the data, the policy center shall comply with all restrictions imposed by law on any of the data received that is deemed confidential, privileged, or otherwise restricted, and any reports that use the data shall be released or published only in a manner that

1 complies with the restrictions. Under no circumstances shall data housed in the LA  
2 FIRST data system be sold to third parties.

3 F.(1) For the purposes of this Section, "personal information" means a  
4 person's social security number, full name, and date of birth, and "nonpersonal  
5 information" means all other data housed in the LA FIRST data system.

6 (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of R.S. 17:3914 or any other law to the  
7 contrary, each ~~city, parish, or other local public school board~~ public school  
8 governing authority shall ~~directly~~ share, at least annually, student data with the  
9 Kathleen Babineaux Blanco Public Policy Center ~~and any department listed in~~  
10 Subsection C of this Section in order to carry out the provisions of this Section and  
11 the goals of the data-sharing agreements. for use in the LA FIRST data system.

12 (3)(a) To facilitate the sharing of a portion of this student personal  
13 information, each public school governing authority shall directly share personal  
14 information for high school students with the state Department of Education, which  
15 shall share such information with the Kathleen Babineaux Blanco Public Policy  
16 Center in order to carry out the provisions of this Section.

17 (b) The state Department of Education may develop and implement a  
18 streamlined information sharing process for the purposes of this Subsection,  
19 including but not limited to the incorporation of the information sharing  
20 requirements of this Subsection into any other data-sharing agreements it has with  
21 public school governing authorities, the Kathleen Babineaux Blanco Public Policy  
22 Center, or any other state entity as provided in this Section or in any other provision  
23 of law.

24 (c) The state Department of Education shall develop and implement a  
25 process for parents to opt out of the information sharing process provided for in  
26 Subparagraph (a) of this Paragraph upon registration as part of an existing data  
27 sharing information notice or parental consent process.

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(24) Student information sharing, R.S. 17:3138.12.

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Section 2. This Act shall become effective on November 30, 2026.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_