Regular Session, 2009

HOUSE BILL NO. 221

BY REPRESENTATIVE THIBAUT

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

ENROLLED

ACT No. 158

1	AN ACT
2	To amend and reenact Children's Code Article 818(C), relative to juvenile identification
3	procedures; to provide for the maintenance of juvenile fingerprints; to delete the
4	provision applicable to the destruction of fingerprint records of certain juveniles
5	upon reaching the age of seventeen; and to provide for related matters.
6	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
7	Section 1. Children's Code Article 818(C) is hereby amended and reenacted to read
8	as follows:
9	Art. 818. Identification Procedures
10	* * *
11	C. Fingerprints and photographs taken pursuant to Paragraph A of this
12	Article shall be maintained and indexed separately from those of adults. They shall
13	be made available only to law enforcement and correctional agencies for purposes
14	related to their official functions. Fingerprints taken pursuant to Paragraph A of this
15	Article shall be submitted to the central fingerprint repository maintained by the
16	Louisiana Bureau of Criminal Identification and Information as specified under R.S.
17	15:590 et seq., and to the fingerprint repository, if any, maintained by the local law
18	enforcement agency. Upon reaching the age of seventeen, if the child does not have
19	a felony conviction in adult court and has not been adjudicated for a felony-grade

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- 1 delinquent act, the fingerprint card shall be destroyed with the juvenile records in 2
 - accordance with law.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: