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## DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Requires certain volunteers and employees working with children to release investigative records for the purpose of verifying the accuracy of criminal violation information on a work application and to submit to a criminal background check.

Present law provides that a religious, charitable, scientific, educational, athletic, or youth-serving institution or organization may require any person, who applies to work with children as a volunteer or as a paid employee, to do the following:

- (1) Agree to release all investigative records for the purpose of verifying the accuracy of criminal violation information.
- (2) Supply fingerprints and submit to a criminal history records check.
- (3) Attend a comprehensive youth protection training program.

Proposed law requires the release of investigative records and the criminal history records check for any person who applies to work with children as a volunteer or paid employee.

Proposed law further requires any person who coaches youth athletes, not as part of a religious, charitable, scientific, educational, athletic, or youth-serving institution, to do the following:

- (1) Agree to release all investigative records for the purpose of verifying the accuracy of criminal violation information.
- (2) Supply fingerprints and submit to a criminal history records check.
- (3) Make available, upon the request of any parent or legal guardian of a child with whom the person will work with as a coach, criminal history record information.

Proposed law provides that when a criminal history records check is requested, the La. Bureau of Criminal Identification and Information shall provide the requestor with the state criminal history record information of the individual subject to the inquiry. Proposed law further requires the bureau to forward the fingerprints to the FBI for a national criminal history records check and provide the requestor with the national criminal history record information of the individual subject to the inquiry.

Proposed law requires the bureau to charge the individual subject to the background check for furnishing information contained in the criminal history and identification files, including any additional costs.

(Amends R.S. 15:587.3)