RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

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Existing 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.

<u>New law</u> provides that any head coach of youth athletes in an organized sports or recreational athletic contest, not as part of a religious, charitable, scientific, educational, athletic, or youth-serving institution, and who is not a parent of the child, legal guardian of the child, or is otherwise not a family member of the child, is required 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 criminal history record information.

<u>New law</u> 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. <u>New law</u> 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.

New 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. For paid employees of a youth-serving institution or organization, new law requires the bureau to charge the institution or organization for the criminal history records check.

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(Amends R.S. 15:587.3)