DIGEST

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Abstract: Requires public schools and certain publicly funded programs to provide certain accommodations to certain students and their parents and guardians.

<u>Proposed law</u> establishes the Blind and Visually Impaired Student's Bill of Rights.

Provides these rights necessitate certain requirements of schools and programs attended by students who are blind, visually impaired, and deaf-blind, including:

- (1) Foster an educational environment where such students are treated as equal, active, and contributing members of their classrooms and communities.
- (2) Employ and train qualified personnel and equip them with braille materials and textbooks and assistive technology for their students.
- (3) Provide opportunities for parents and guardians to participate in the development of their child's Individualized Education Plan and Section 504 Plan.
- (4) Communicate with parents and guardians relative to their child's Individualized Education Program.

(Adds R.S. 17:1960.1)