

Prior law provided for proceedings, records, and reports before juvenile courts to be confidential, except for certain delinquency proceedings, child support proceedings, traffic violations in East Baton Rouge Parish, and certain misdemeanor trials of adults.

Prior law provided that the district attorney, law enforcement agency, or court may release to the public the following identifying information concerning an alleged or adjudicated delinquent child, provided the child was at least fourteen years old at the commission of the delinquent act: The name, age, and delinquent act for which the child is being charged whenever the court has found probable cause for continued custody prior to adjudication that the child committed a crime of violence as defined by R.S. 14:2(B) or a second or subsequent felony-grade offense. New law retains prior law and also authorizes release of such information when the court executes an order, after verified complaint, directing that a child be taken into custody for commission of a delinquent act or violation of the terms of his probation or release.

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