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Schroder HB No. 1076

Abstract: Provides for limitations and prohibitions on the collection and sharing of student information and provides penalties for violations.

<u>Proposed law</u> prohibits the collection of certain student information by local public school systems and charter schools. Prohibits local school system and charter school officials and employees from sharing student information with local school board members and any other person or public or private entity except as otherwise specified in <u>proposed law</u>. Further prohibits access to public school computer systems where student information is stored except as otherwise specified in <u>proposed law</u>. Provides that any person given access to a public school computer system shall maintain the confidentiality of the student information accessed.

Permits local public school boards and charter schools to contract with a private entity for information services and prohibits a contractor from allowing access to, releasing, or allowing the release of such student information except as specified in the contract. Prohibits the contractor from transferring information to a third-party server. Provides penalties for violations including imprisonment and monetary fines.

Prohibits persons who have access to student information from converting any student information such that the information remaining after enough personally identifiable information has been removed can be used to identify a student and from using the personal characteristics or behavior patterns of a student to make generalizations about a student or to predict outcomes and behaviors of a student.

Requires the state Dept. of Education to develop a system of unique student identification numbers. Requires local public school boards to assign such numbers to every student and provides that such numbers shall not include or be based on social security numbers.

Provides penalties for violations of proposed law including imprisonment and monetary fines.

(Adds R.S. 17:3913 and 3996(B)(34))