DIGEST

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Abstract: Requires a child wellness evaluation for each student entering kindergarten or sixth grade.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires each person entering any kindergarten within the state to present satisfactory evidence of a comprehensive wellness evaluation performed within the 12 months prior to the time of entry.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires each person entering the sixth grade in any school within the state to present satisfactory evidence of a comprehensive wellness evaluation performed within the 12 months prior to the time of entry.

<u>Proposed law</u> further requires the wellness evaluation to be conducted by a person licensed or certified by this state to provide healthcare services as a physician, physician assistant, or nurse practitioner in accordance with the health guidelines for preventive care screenings and well-child visits established by the American Academy of Pediatrics.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires chief administrators of all elementary and secondary schools and kindergartens, whether public or private, within this state to be responsible for checking students' records to see that the provisions of <u>proposed law</u> are enforced.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides an exception for when a written dissent from the student's parent or guardian is presented.

(Adds R.S. 17:173)