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Overview

Proposes to define as private data the information that nonpublic school students must report to the superintendent of the resident school district. Prohibits designating the information as directory information without a parent's consent (directory information is public information that generally would not be considered harmful or an invasion of privacy if disclosed). Allows the information to be disclosed without consent only under limited circumstances.

Section

- 1 Nonpublic school students.** Defines as private data the information on nonpublic school students that must be reported to a school superintendent. Prohibits a school district from designating the information as directory information unless the parent of the child who is the subject of the information consents in writing to its release beforehand. Allows the information to be disclosed without the parent's consent only under circumstances such as a requirement to collect data, a court order or immunization programs or health investigations that appear in the law governing access to student records.