

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 117

BY SENATOR SHEPHERD

A RESOLUTION

To urge and request the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education to adopt a policy requiring each city, parish, and other local public school boards to incorporate into its student code of conduct a discipline policy that requires students committing any of the following offenses to perform one hour of custodial work at the school, as directed by the school principal, while wearing a hot pink jumpsuit: fighting, showing disrespect to a teacher or other faculty member, unexcused absence from school, or defacing school property.

WHEREAS, the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education is constitutionally and statutorily responsible for the supervision and control of the public elementary and secondary schools and special schools placed under its jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, in exercising such control and responsibility, it is incumbent upon the board to ensure that the public schools are operated in a manner that provides an environment that is conducive to student learning; and

WHEREAS, a student whose behavior prevents the orderly instruction of other students, or poses an immediate threat to the safety or physical well being of any student or teacher, or exhibits disrespectful behavior toward a teacher or other faculty member, or results in the damage or destruction of school property must be appropriately disciplined; and

WHEREAS, discipline imposed in a manner that makes a lasting impression upon a student who commits an infraction of the rules while also yielding a valuable service to the school achieves a desirable two-fold purpose.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education to adopt a policy requiring each city, parish, and other local public school board to incorporate into its student code of conduct a discipline policy that requires students committing any of the following offenses to perform one hour of custodial work at the school, as directed by the school principal, while wearing a hot pink jumpsuit: fighting, showing disrespect to a teacher or other faculty member, unexcused absence from school, or defacing school property.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the president of the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education, the state superintendent of education, and the president of each city, parish, and other local public school board.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE