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HOUSE BILL NO. 1436

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AN ACT

2	To amend and reenact R.S. 15:542.1(A)(1)(b), relative to sex offenders; to provide relative
3	to sex offender notification requirements; and to provide for related matters.
4	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
5	Section 1. R.S. 15:542.1(A)(1)(b) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as
6	follows:
7	§542.1. Notification of sex offenders and child predators
8	A. Any adult residing in this state who has pled guilty to, has been convicted
9	of, or where adjudication has been deferred or withheld for the perpetration or
10	attempted perpetration of, or conspiracy to commit, a sex offense as defined in R.S.
11	15:541 or a criminal offense against a minor as defined in R.S. 15:541 shall be
12	required to provide the following notifications:
13	(1) Give notice of the crime for which he was convicted, his name,
14	residential address, a description of his physical characteristics as provided in R.S.
15	15:542(C)(1), and a photograph or copy thereof to all of the following:
16	* * *
17	(b)(i) The superintendent of the school district where the defendant offender
18	will reside, who shall notify the principal of every school located within a one-mile
19	radius of the address where the offender will reside and may notify the principals of
20	other schools as he deems appropriate. The principal of any such school upon
21	receipt of the notification shall post notices in conspicuous areas at the school which
22	state the defendant's name, address, and the crime for which he was convicted.
23	Failure of the superintendent or principal to comply with the provisions of this

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Subparagraph shall not be construed to impose civil liability on any person. The notice sent by the superintendent shall be accompanied by two clear, recent photographs, or a clear photocopy thereof, of the offender. The photographs, which shall be provided by the offender, shall be taken after release and within sufficient time to accompany the notification which is required under the provisions of this Chapter. The principal of any such school, upon receipt of the notification from the superintendent pursuant to the provisions of this Subparagraph, shall post notices at the school, in conspicuous areas accessible by all students attending the school, which contain a photograph of the offender and which state the offender's name, address, and a statement on the notice, commensurate with the education level of the school, which in the discretion of the principal, appropriately notifies the students of the potential danger of the offender.

(ii) Failure of the superintendent or principal to comply with the provisions of this Subparagraph shall not be construed to impose civil liability on any person.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

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