

Regular Session, 2012

HOUSE BILL NO. 806

BY REPRESENTATIVE SMITH

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT: Authorizes a Dept. of Education survey of students regarding risk behaviors

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 17:281(A)(2), relative to the Department of Education;
3 authorizes the department to survey students about risk behavior associated with
4 chronic health conditions; provides relative to sex education classes; and to provide
5 for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 17:281(A)(2) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

8 §281. Instruction in sex education

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11 (2) It is the intent of the legislature that, for the purposes of this Section, "sex
12 education" shall mean the dissemination of factual biological or pathological
13 information that is related to the human reproduction system and may include the
14 study of sexually transmitted disease, pregnancy, childbirth, puberty, menstruation,
15 and menopause, as well as the dissemination of factual information about parental
16 responsibilities under the child support laws of the state. It is the intent of the
17 legislature that "sex education" shall not include religious beliefs, practices in human
18 sexuality, nor the subjective moral and ethical judgments of the instructor or other
19 persons. Students shall not be tested, quizzed, or surveyed about their personal or
20 family beliefs ~~or practices in~~ about sex, morality, or religion; however, the Louisiana

