## SLS 18RS-267

## ORIGINAL

2018 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 129

BY SENATOR GATTI

FAMILY LAW. Provides relative to foster care children in high school. (gov sig)

1	AN ACT
2	To enact R.S. 46:286.24, relative to foster care; to provide relative to education; to provide
3	that a child may remain in foster care until he graduates from high school under
4	certain circumstances; to provide terms, conditions, and requirements; and to provide
5	for related matters.
6	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
7	Section 1. R.S. 46:286.24 is hereby enacted to read as follows:
8	§286.24. Foster care; high school student
9	The Department of Children and Family Services shall allow a child who
10	is in foster care and who is also a full-time high school student to remain in
11	<u>foster care until he attains the age of twenty-one or graduates from high school,</u>
12	whichever occurs first.
13	Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
14	signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
15	by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
16	vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
17	effective on the day following such approval.

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<u>Proposed law</u> provides that a child who is in foster care through the Department of Children and Family Services and who is also a full-time student in high school, shall remain in foster care until he attains the age of 21 or completes high school.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Adds R.S. 46:286.24)