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2020 Second Extraordinary Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 52

BY REPRESENTATIVES EDMONDS AND EDMONSTON

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 40:1271.3, relative to the duties of the office of public health of the Louisiana Department of Health; to establish requirements for reporting of certain public health data during a state of public health emergency; to require the office of public health to report data on infectious disease incidence among school-age children under certain circumstances; to specify the schedule of such reporting; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 40:1271.3 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§1271.3. Infectious disease incidence among school-age children; public health emergencies; reporting of data

During the pendency of any state of public health emergency declared in accordance with R.S. 29:766 and relating to one or more infectious diseases, the Louisiana Department of Health, office of public health shall publish, on a publicly accessible website, a report updated not less than weekly, which provides the total number of children between the ages of five and seventeen years in this state known to have been infected with each disease addressed by the public health emergency declaration.

Section 2. If a state of public health emergency declared in accordance with R.S. 29:766 is in effect on the effective date of this Act, then the office of public health of the Louisiana Department of Health shall publish the first report required by R.S. 40:1271.3, as enacted by Section 1 of this Act, not later than the seventh day after the effective date of this Act.

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Section 3. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become effective on the day following such approval.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____

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