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MEMORANDUM

April 9, 2014

SUBJECT:

Sectional Summary HB 257; (Work Order No. 28-LS1096\C)

TO:

Representative Lora Reinbold

Attn: Elijah Verhagen

FROM:

Jean M. Mischel

Legislative Counsel

You have requested a sectional summary of the above-described bill.

As a preliminary matter, note that a sectional summary of a bill should not be considered an authoritative interpretation of the bill and the bill itself is the best statement of its contents. If you would like an interpretation of the bill as it may apply to a particular set of circumstances, please advise.

Section 1. Adds to the Department of Education and Early Development's report to the legislature information pertaining to student data and data security audits.

Section 2. Requires school districts to provide to a parent or guardian a written or electronic copy of a student record that includes student data.

Section 3. Adds restrictions on the use of student data for commercial purposes.

Section 4. Requires each school district in the state to adopt, implement, and monitor a plan and policies for student data security and to annually publish the plan, a data inventory, and explanation of the inventory.

Section 5. Provides a definition of "student data."

Section 6. Adds several duties to the State Board of Education and Early Development that relate to adoption of a data inventory and policies and procedures regarding access to student data.

Section 7. Cross-references the definition of "student data" in sec. 5 of the bill for purposes of sec. 6 of the bill.

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