

1 AN ACT

2 RELATING TO CHILD SAFETY; REQUIRING THE PUBLIC EDUCATION
3 DEPARTMENT AND THE CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES DEPARTMENT TO
4 WORK TOGETHER TO DEVELOP A SYSTEM TO TRACK CHILDREN MOVING
5 BETWEEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES
6 DEPARTMENT SERVICES; REQUIRING THE SYSTEM TO BE USABLE BY
7 BOTH DEPARTMENTS AND PUBLIC SCHOOLS TO TRACK CHILDREN UNDER
8 THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN; CREATING A TASK FORCE; REQUIRING THE
9 EXPERTISE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY;
10 CLARIFYING THAT THE STUDENT IDENTIFICATION NUMBER ASSIGNED TO
11 EACH STUDENT REQUIRED IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOL CODE IS A UNIQUE
12 NUMBER AND SHALL NEVER BE USED FOR ANOTHER STUDENT.

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14 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

15 SECTION 1. A new section of the Public School Code is
16 enacted to read:

17 "STUDENT IDENTIFICATION NUMBER UNIQUE TO THAT STUDENT.--
18 The student identification number required pursuant to
19 Section 22-2C-11 NMSA 1978 shall be unique to each student
20 and shall not be used or assigned to another student. That
21 number shall be on all forms, student records, transcripts
22 and databases in which a student is identified by name. A
23 student shall be assigned only one identification number. It
24 shall be the responsibility of every school district and
25 charter school in the state to determine if the student has

1 ever enrolled previously in a public school in New Mexico,
2 and school districts and charter schools shall use the
3 original student identification number."

4 SECTION 2. TEMPORARY PROVISIONS--COMPATIBLE TRACKING
5 SYSTEM BETWEEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS, THE PUBLIC EDUCATION
6 DEPARTMENT AND THE CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES DEPARTMENT--
7 TASK FORCE--MEMBERSHIP--DIRECTIVE--DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION
8 TECHNOLOGY ASSISTANCE.--

9 A. The public education department and the
10 children, youth and families department shall develop a
11 compatible student-child tracking system that is usable among
12 public schools, the public education department and the
13 children, youth and families department and local offices.
14 The departments shall consider if there are other users that
15 should be included in the system.

16 B. The departments shall convene a task force of
17 public school personnel; school and children, youth and
18 families department social workers; juvenile probation and
19 parole personnel; children's court judges or their designees;
20 and child advocates. The task force, with the assistance of
21 systems analysts from the two departments and the department
22 of information technology, shall develop the tracking system.
23 Task force members shall be appointed by the secretaries of
24 public education and children, youth and families.

25 C. The task force shall work to develop a tracking HB 447
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1 system that:

- 2 (1) provides for real-time reporting; and
- 3 (2) allows for the cross-checking of the
- 4 student identification number assigned by a New Mexico public
- 5 school pursuant to Section 22-2C-11 NMSA 1978, the uniform
- 6 case number required by Section 32A-20-1 NMSA 1978 for
- 7 neglected and abused children and any other identification
- 8 numbers used by the children, youth and families department
- 9 for other children it serves.

10 D. The task force shall report to the legislative
11 education study committee with its design and recommendations
12 for implementation of the tracking system by December 1, 2019.

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