

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 837

BY REPRESENTATIVE HORTON

CURRICULA: Provides relative to discussion of sexual orientation and gender identity in public schools

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 17:412, relative to public school teachers and personnel; to prohibit classroom  
3 discussion about sexual orientation or gender identity in certain grade levels; to  
4 prohibit teachers and others from discussing their sexual orientation or gender  
5 identity with students; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 17:412 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 §412. Sexual orientation, gender identity; prohibited instruction, discussion

9 A. No teacher, school employee, or other presenter shall cover the topics of  
10 sexual orientation or gender identity in any classroom discussion or instruction in  
11 kindergarten through grade eight.

12 B. No teacher, school employee, or other presenter shall discuss his own  
13 sexual orientation or gender identity with students in kindergarten through grade  
14 twelve.

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DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Prohibits instruction on and discussion of sexual orientation and gender identity for certain public school students.

Proposed law prohibits a public school teacher, employee, or other presenter from:

- (1) Incorporating classroom instruction or discussion relative to sexual orientation or gender identity in grades kindergarten through eight.
- (2) Discussing his personal sexual orientation or gender identity in grades kindergarten through 12.

(Adds R.S. 17:412)