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## **LEGISLATIVE BILL 575**

FINAL READING

Introduced by Brewer, 43; Gragert, 40; Erdman, 47.

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Committee: Education

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to school districts; to require policies
- 2 relating to the provision of routine directory information and
- access to students by military recruiters as prescribed.
- 4 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

LB575 2019

- 1 Section 1. (1) The school board of each school district shall adopt
- 2 a policy to provide, except as provided in subdivision (2)(a) of this
- 3 section, access to routine directory information for each student in a
- 4 high school grade upon a request made by a military recruiter.
- 5 (2)(a) Except as provided in subsection (5) of this section, a
- 6 parent or guardian of a student in a high school grade may submit a
- 7 written request to the school district that routine directory information
- 8 for such student shall not be released for purposes of subsection (1) of
- 9 this section without prior written consent of the parent or guardian.
- 10 Upon receiving such request, a school district shall not release the
- 11 <u>routine directory information of such student for such purposes without</u>
- 12 <u>the prior written consent of the parent or guardian.</u>
- 13 (b) Within thirty days prior to or following the commencement of
- 14 each school year and, for a new student who enrolls after the
- 15 commencement of a school year, within thirty days following such
- 16 enrollment, each school district shall notify the parents and guardians
- 17 of each student in a high school grade enrolled in the school district of
- 18 the option, except as provided in subsection (5) of this section, to make
- 19 <u>a request pursuant to subdivision (2)(a) of this section.</u>
- 20 (3) The school board of each school district shall adopt a policy to
- 21 provide military recruiters the same access to a student in a high school
- 22 grade as is provided to postsecondary educational institutions or to
- 23 prospective employers of such students.
- 24 (4) Nothing in this section shall be construed to allow a school
- 25 board to adopt a policy to withhold access to routine directory
- 26 <u>information from a military recruiter by implementing any process that</u>
- 27 differs from the written consent request process under subdivision (2)(a)
- 28 of this section.
- 29 <u>(5) For purposes of this section, when a student reaches eighteen</u>
- 30 years of age, the permission or consent required of and the rights
- 31 accorded to the parents or guardians of such student under this section

- 1 shall only be required of and accorded to such student. Within thirty
- 2 days prior to or following the commencement of each school year and, for
- 3 a new student who enrolls after the commencement of a school year, within
- 4 thirty days following such enrollment, each school district shall notify
- 5 <u>each student who is at least eighteen years of age or who will reach</u>
- 6 eighteen years of age during such school year of the option to make a
- 7 request pursuant to subdivision (2)(a) of this section and that any such
- 8 <u>request made previously by a parent or guardian for such student expires</u>
- 9 upon the student reaching eighteen years of age.
- 10 (6) For purposes of this section, routine directory information
- 11 <u>means a student's name, address, and telephone number.</u>
- 12 (7) Except as otherwise provided by federal law, nothing in this
- 13 section shall be construed to limit the applicability of the federal
- 14 Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, as amended, 20 U.S.C.
- 15 <u>1232g</u>, as such act existed on January 1, 2019.