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SENATE BILL **430**

AN ACT relative to mandatory disclosure by school district employees to parents and legal guardians.

SPONSORS: Sen. Lang, Dist 2; Sen. Avard, Dist 12; Sen. Birdsell, Dist 19; Sen. McGough, Dist 11; Sen. Ward, Dist 8; Sen. Innis, Dist 7; Sen. Gray, Dist 6; Sen. Gannon, Dist 23; Sen. Abbas, Dist 22; Sen. Sullivan, Dist 18; Sen. Murphy, Dist 16; Sen. Carson, Dist 14; Sen. Pearl, Dist 17; Sen. Rochefort, Dist 1; Rep. Berry, Hills. 44; Rep. Moffett, Merr. 4

COMMITTEE: Education

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill requires all school employees to respond honestly and completely to written requests by parents and legal guardians regarding information relating to their children, except where such responses are prohibited by state or federal law.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
Matter removed from current law appears [~~in brackets and struckthrough.~~]
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty-Six

AN ACT relative to mandatory disclosure by school district employees to parents and legal guardians.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

- 1 1 Short Title. This act shall be known as the Honesty and Transparency in Education Act.
- 2 2 New Section; Communications Between Teachers, Parents, and Legal Guardians. Amend
- 3 RSA 189 by inserting after section 13-d the following new section:
- 4 189:13-e Communications Between Teachers, Parents, and Legal Guardians.
- 5 I. Educators credentialed by the New Hampshire department of education shall have a duty
- 6 to respond to written inquiries by parents and legal guardians regarding information relating to
- 7 their child enrolled in that educator’s school. Such response to a written request shall be sent within
- 8 10 business days of its receipt and be answered completely and honestly, except where prohibited by
- 9 state or federal law.
- 10 II. If, in the good faith determination of the credential holder, such complete and honest
- 11 response to a request would put the child at imminent risk of abuse or neglect, as defined in RSA
- 12 169-C:3, such credential holder shall file a report with the superintendent, and the request for
- 13 information shall be denied in writing.
- 14 III. On or before June 30, 2027, the state board of education shall adopt rules, pursuant to
- 15 RSA 541-A, amending the code of ethics and the code of conduct for New Hampshire educators
- 16 relative to this section.
- 17 IV. Violation of this section shall be considered a violation of the code of conduct for New
- 18 Hampshire educators and subject to investigation, in accordance with administrative rules, against
- 19 that credential holder.
- 20 3 Effective Date. This act shall take effect January 1, 2027.