

2015 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 446

BY REPRESENTATIVES MIGUEZ AND STUART BISHOP

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 17:282.5, relative to permitted courses of study; to authorize each city, parish,
3 and other local public school board to provide classroom instruction regarding
4 firearm accident prevention and safety to elementary school students; and to provide
5 for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 17:282.5 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 §282.5. Firearm accident prevention and safety education; authorized instruction

9 Each city, parish, and other local public school board may provide age- and
10 grade-appropriate classroom instruction regarding firearm accident prevention and
11 safety to elementary school students. Such instruction shall be integrated into an
12 existing course of study, and the purpose of such instruction shall be to promote the
13 protection and safety of children. Furthermore, such instruction shall adopt or be
14 based on the Eddie Eagle Gunsafe Program, an accident prevention program
15 developed by the National Rifle Association, or a substantially similar program,
16 such as the Louisiana Law Enforcement for Gun Safety program, designed to
17 promote firearm accident prevention and safety. Such instruction shall not include
18 the expression of value judgments about the use of firearms by teachers, school
19 personnel, or any other instructors. The school board shall determine the timing and
20 duration of such instruction.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____