

# 96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2009 and 2010 SB3513

Introduced 2/10/2010, by Sen. Emil Jones, III

### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

105 ILCS 10/6 705 ILCS 405/5-145 from Ch. 122, par. 50-6

Amends the Illinois School Student Records Act. Provides that school student records or information contained in those records may be released to SHOCAP committee members who fall within the meaning of "state and local officials and authorities" for the purpose of identifying criminal trends and victim information to prevent outbreaks of violence by and against students. Amends the Juvenile Court Act of 1987. Provides that the SHOCAP committee shall adopt, by a majority of the members, criteria to identify criminal trends in order to prevent outbreaks of violence by or against students and criteria to determine when sharing of juvenile victim information would deter further acts of violence by or against juveniles. Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning juveniles.

## Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The Illinois School Student Records Act is amended by changing Section 6 as follows:
- 6 (105 ILCS 10/6) (from Ch. 122, par. 50-6)
- Sec. 6. (a) No school student records or information contained therein may be released, transferred, disclosed or otherwise disseminated, except as follows:
  - (1) To a parent or student or person specifically designated as a representative by a parent, as provided in paragraph (a) of Section 5;
    - (2) To an employee or official of the school or school district or State Board with current demonstrable educational or administrative interest in the student, in furtherance of such interest;
    - (3) To the official records custodian of another school within Illinois or an official with similar responsibilities of a school outside Illinois, in which the student has enrolled, or intends to enroll, upon the request of such official or student;
  - (4) To any person for the purpose of research, statistical reporting, or planning, provided that such

research, statistical reporting, or planning is permissible under and undertaken in accordance with the federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (20 U.S.C. 1232g);

- (5) Pursuant to a court order, provided that the parent shall be given prompt written notice upon receipt of such order of the terms of the order, the nature and substance of the information proposed to be released in compliance with such order and an opportunity to inspect and copy the school student records and to challenge their contents pursuant to Section 7;
- (6) To any person as specifically required by State or federal law:
- (6.5) To juvenile authorities when necessary for the discharge of their official duties who request information prior to adjudication of the student and who certify in writing that the information will not be disclosed to any other party except as provided under law or order of court. For purposes of this Section "juvenile authorities" means:

  (i) a judge of the circuit court and members of the staff of the court designated by the judge; (ii) parties to the proceedings under the Juvenile Court Act of 1987 and their attorneys; (iii) probation officers and court appointed advocates for the juvenile authorized by the judge hearing the case; (iv) any individual, public or private agency having custody of the child pursuant to court order; (v)

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individual, public or private agency providing education, medical or mental health service to the child when the requested information is needed to determine the appropriate service or treatment for the minor; (vi) any potential placement provider when such release authorized by the court for the limited purpose of determining the appropriateness of the potential placement; (vii) law enforcement officers and prosecutors; (viii) adult and juvenile prisoner review boards; (ix) authorized military personnel; (x) individuals authorized by court;

- (7) Subject to regulations of the State Board, in connection with an emergency, to appropriate persons if the knowledge of such information is necessary to protect the health or safety of the student or other persons;
- (8) To any person, with the prior specific dated written consent of the parent designating the person to whom the records may be released, provided that at the time any such consent is requested or obtained, the parent shall be advised in writing that he has the right to inspect and copy such records in accordance with Section 5, to challenge their contents in accordance with Section 7 and to limit any such consent to designated records or designated portions of the information contained therein;
- (9) To a governmental agency, or social service agency contracted by a governmental agency, in furtherance of an

investigation of a student's school attendance pursuant to the compulsory student attendance laws of this State, provided that the records are released to the employee or agent designated by the agency;

- (10) To those SHOCAP committee members who fall within the meaning of "state and local officials and authorities", as those terms are used within the meaning of the federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, for the purposes of identifying serious habitual juvenile offenders and matching those offenders with community resources pursuant to Section 5-145 of the Juvenile Court Act of 1987, and identifying criminal trends and victim information to prevent outbreaks of violence by and against students, but only to the extent that the release, transfer, disclosure, or dissemination is consistent with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act; or
- (11) To the Department of Healthcare and Family Services in furtherance of the requirements of Section 2-3.131, 3-14.29, 10-28, or 34-18.26 of the School Code or Section 10 of the School Breakfast and Lunch Program Act:  $\frac{\text{or}}{\text{-}}$
- (12) To the State Board or another State government agency or between or among State government agencies in order to evaluate or audit federal and State programs or perform research and planning, but only to the extent that the release, transfer, disclosure, or dissemination is

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- 1 consistent with the federal Family Educational Rights and 2 Privacy Act (20 U.S.C. 1232g).
  - No information may be released pursuant (b) to subparagraphs (3) or (6) of paragraph (a) of this Section 6 unless the parent receives prior written notice of the nature and substance of the information proposed to be released, and an opportunity to inspect and copy such records in accordance with Section 5 and to challenge their contents in accordance with Section 7. Provided, however, that such notice shall be sufficient if published in a local newspaper of general circulation or other publication directed generally to the parents involved where the proposed release of information is pursuant to subparagraph 6 of paragraph (a) in this Section 6 and relates to more than 25 students.
  - (c) A record of any release of information pursuant to this Section must be made and kept as a part of the school student record and subject to the access granted by Section 5. Such record of release shall be maintained for the life of the school student records and shall be available only to the parent and the official records custodian. Each record of release shall also include:
- 22 (1) The nature and substance of the information released;
  - (2) The name and signature of the official records custodian releasing such information;
    - (3) The name of the person requesting such information,

- the capacity in which such a request has been made, and the purpose of such request;
- 3 (4) The date of the release; and
- 4 (5) A copy of any consent to such release.
- (d) Except for the student and his parents, no person to whom information is released pursuant to this Section and no person specifically designated as a representative by a parent may permit any other person to have access to such information without a prior consent of the parent obtained in accordance with the requirements of subparagraph (8) of paragraph (a) of this Section.
- 12 (e) Nothing contained in this Act shall prohibit the 13 publication of student directories which list student names, 14 addresses and other identifying information and similar 15 publications which comply with regulations issued by the State 16 Board.
- 17 (Source: P.A. 95-331, eff. 8-21-07; 95-793, eff. 1-1-09;
- 18 96-107, eff. 7-30-09; revised 11-3-09.)
- Section 10. The Juvenile Court Act of 1987 is amended by changing Section 5-145 as follows:
- 21 (705 ILCS 405/5-145)
- Sec. 5-145. Cooperation of agencies; Serious Habitual
- Offender Comprehensive Action Program.
- 24 (a) The Serious Habitual Offender Comprehensive Action

- Program (SHOCAP) is a multi-disciplinary interagency case
  management and information sharing system that enables the
  juvenile justice system, schools, and social service agencies
  to make more informed decisions regarding a small number of
  juveniles who repeatedly commit serious delinquent acts.
  - (b) Each county in the State of Illinois, other than Cook County, may establish a multi-disciplinary agency (SHOCAP) committee. In Cook County, each subcircuit or group of subcircuits may establish a multi-disciplinary agency (SHOCAP) committee. The committee shall consist of representatives from the following agencies: local law enforcement, area school district, state's attorney's office, and court services (probation).

The chairman may appoint additional members to the committee as deemed appropriate to accomplish the goals of this program, including, but not limited to, representatives from the juvenile detention center, mental health, the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services, Department of Human Services and community representatives at large.

- (c) The SHOCAP committee shall adopt, by a majority of the members:
  - (1) criteria that will identify those who qualify as a serious habitual juvenile offender; and
  - (1.1) criteria to identify criminal trends in order to prevent outbreaks of violence by or against students;
- (1.2) criteria to determine when sharing of juvenile

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## victim information would deter further acts of violence by or against juveniles; and

- written interagency information sharing (2) agreement to be signed by the chief executive officer of each of the agencies represented on the committee. The interagency information sharing agreement shall include a provision that requires that all records pertaining to a serious habitual offender (SHO) shall be confidential subject to the provisions of this Act. Disclosure of information may be made to other staff from member agencies as authorized by the SHOCAP committee for the furtherance of case management and tracking of the SHO. Staff from the member agencies who receive this information shall be governed by the confidentiality provisions of this Act. The staff from the member agencies who will qualify to have access to the SHOCAP information must be limited to those individuals who provide direct services to the SHO or who provide supervision of the SHO.
- (c-5) Using the criteria listed in subsection (c), the SHOCAP committee may identify, as needed:
- (1) those who qualify as a serious habitual juvenile offenders;
  - (2) specific criminal trends in order to prevent outbreaks of violence by or against students; and
  - (3) juvenile victims when sharing juvenile victim information would deter further acts of violence by or

#### against juveniles.

- (d) The Chief Juvenile Circuit Judge, or the Chief Circuit Judge, or his or her designee, may issue a comprehensive information sharing court order. The court order shall allow agencies who are represented on the SHOCAP committee and whose chief executive officer has signed the interagency information sharing agreement to provide and disclose information to the SHOCAP committee. The sharing of information will ensure the coordination and cooperation of all agencies represented in providing case management and enhancing the effectiveness of the SHOCAP efforts.
- (e) Any person or agency who is participating in good faith in the sharing of SHOCAP information under this Act shall have immunity from any liability, civil, criminal, or otherwise, that might result by reason of the type of information exchanged. For the purpose of any proceedings, civil or criminal, the good faith of any person or agency permitted to share SHOCAP information under this Act shall be presumed.
- (f) All reports concerning SHOCAP clients made available to members of the SHOCAP committee and all records generated from these reports shall be confidential and shall not be disclosed, except as specifically authorized by this Act or other applicable law. It is a Class A misdemeanor to permit, assist, or encourage the unauthorized release of any information contained in SHOCAP reports or records.
- 26 (Source: P.A. 90-590, eff. 1-1-99.)

- 1 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 2 becoming law.