STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2020 No. 965

EDUCATION, ENGLAND

The Education (Information About Individual Pupils) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2020

Made - - - - 9th September 2020
Laid before Parliament 10th September 2020
Coming into force - - 1st October 2020

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 537A(1) and 569(4) of the Education Act 1996(1), makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Education (Information About Individual Pupils) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2020 and come into force on 1st October 2020.

Amendment of the Education (Information About Individual Pupils) (England) Regulations 2013

- **2.**—(1) The Education (Information About Individual Pupils) (England) Regulations 2013(2) are amended as follows.
 - (2) In regulation 2 (interpretation) omit the definition of "unauthorised absence".
 - (3) In Schedule 1 (provision of information about individual pupils)—
 - (a) for paragraph 16 substitute—
 - "16. For each pupil who is not a boarder—
 - (a) the total number of morning and afternoon sessions which the pupil could have attended during such periods as are specified in the request for information; and
 - (b) where the 2006 Regulations specify the ways in which pupils' attendances and non-attendances are to be recorded in an attendance register, the number of sessions recorded in each of the ways specified in those Regulations.";
 - (b) in each of paragraphs 17 and 31—

^{(1) 1996} c. 56; section 537A was substituted by paragraphs 57 and 153 of Schedule 30 to the School Standards and Framework Act 1998 (c. 31) and amended by S.I. 2010/1158 and 2012/967; there are amendments to section 569 that are not relevant to these Regulations.

⁽²⁾ S.I. 2013/2094, to which there are amendments not relevant to these Regulations.

- (i) for "absences (if any)" substitute "attendances and non-attendances"; and
- (ii) for "reason for the absences" substitute "information recorded in that system in relation to those attendances and non-attendances"; and
- (c) for paragraph 30 substitute—
 - "30.—(1) The total number of morning and afternoon sessions which the pupil could have attended during such periods as are specified in the request for information.
 - (2) Where the 2006 Regulations specify the ways in which pupils' attendances and non-attendances are to be recorded in an attendance register, the number of such sessions recorded in each of the ways specified in those Regulations.".

Nick Gibb
Minister of State
Department for Education

9th September 2020

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of these Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Education (Information About Individual Pupils) (England) Regulations 2013 ("the 2013 Regulations"), which prescribe various pieces of information about individual pupils that the proprietors of certain schools are required to provide, on request, to the Secretary of State or other prescribed persons.

Schedule 1 to the 2013 Regulations prescribes some of those pieces of information, including: the number of school sessions that the pupil (or former pupil) could have attended during a given period; the number of authorised and unauthorised absences from those sessions; and (in certain cases) the reasons for the absences. Regulation 2 of these Regulations amends Schedule 1 to the 2013 Regulations to expand the range of information that must be provided on request to include the number of all attendances and non-attendances recorded in the school's attendance register in each of the different ways specified in the Education (Pupil Registration) (England) Regulations 2006 and any information recorded about them in the electronic register (if there is one). Regulation 2 also revokes a definition used in the 2013 Regulations that is no longer needed.

A full impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no, or no significant, impact on the private, voluntary or public sector is foreseen.

An Explanatory Memorandum is published alongside this instrument on www.legislation.gov.uk.