HB 2399 -- STUDENT DATA PRIVACY

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This bill establishes procedures governing the use of and access to student data by third parties.

Beginning August 28, 2018, any time a school provides access to student data to a contractor, the contractor shall agree to a written contract with the school governing the contractor's access to and use of student data. A contractor shall maintain security practices designed to protect student data. The school shall notify students and parents whose data is affected by the contract.

The bill also requires the operators of school websites that collect, maintain, or use student data to maintain security practices designed to protect student data. Operators are prohibited from keeping or using student data except for authorized purposes specified in the bill.

The bill requires notification of the school and affected students and parents if security breaches cause the unauthorized disclosure of student data.

The bill also establishes a task force to study issues relating to student data privacy. The members of the task force are specified in the bill and include two members appointed by the Speaker of the House. The task force must submit a report to the Joint Committee on Education before January 31, 2019.