

SENATE AMENDMENT NO. _____

Offered by _____ of _____

Amend _____ SCS/House Bill No. 458, Page 5, Section 160.775, Line 143,

2 by inserting immediately after said line the following:

3 "170.047. 1. Beginning in the 2016-2017 school year, any
4 licensed educator may annually complete up to two hours of
5 training or professional development in youth suicide awareness
6 and prevention as part of the professional development hours
7 required for state board of education certification.

8 2. The department of elementary and secondary education
9 shall develop guidelines suitable for training or professional
10 development in youth suicide awareness and prevention. The
11 department shall develop materials that may be used for such
12 training or professional development.

13 3. For purposes of this section, the term "licensed
14 educator" shall refer to any teacher with a certificate of
15 license to teach issued by the state board of education or any
16 other educator or administrator required to maintain a
17 professional license issued by the state board of education.

18 4. The department of elementary and secondary education may
19 promulgate rules and regulations to implement this section.

20 5. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined
21 in section 536.010 that is created under the authority delegated
22 in this section shall become effective only if it complies with

1 and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536, and, if
2 applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are
3 nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general
4 assembly pursuant to chapter 536, to review, to delay the
5 effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are
6 subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking
7 authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2015,
8 shall be invalid and void.

9 170.048. 1. By July 1, 2017, each district shall adopt a
10 policy for youth suicide awareness and prevention, including the
11 training and education of district employees.

12 2. Each district's policy shall address, but need not be
13 limited to the following:

14 (1) Strategies that can help identify students who are at
15 possible risk of suicide;

16 (2) Strategies and protocols for helping students at
17 possible risk of suicide; and

18 (3) Protocols for responding to a suicide death.

19 3. By July 1, 2016, the department of elementary and
20 secondary education shall develop a model policy that districts
21 may adopt. When developing the model policy, the department
22 shall cooperate, consult with, and seek input from organizations
23 that have expertise in youth suicide awareness and prevention.
24 By July 1, 2020, and at least every three years thereafter, the
25 department shall request information and seek feedback from
26 districts on their experience with the policy for youth suicide
27 awareness and prevention. The department shall review this
28 information and may use it to adapt the department's model
29 policy. The department shall post any information on its website

1 that it has received from districts that it deems relevant. The
2 department shall not post any confidential information or any
3 information that personally identifies any student or school
4 employee."; and

5 Further amend the title and enacting clause accordingly.

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