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1 AN ACT concerning education.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The School Safety Drill Act is amended by 5 changing Section 25 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 128/25)

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Sec. 25. Annual review.

(a) Each public school district, through its school board 8 9 or the board's designee, shall conduct a minimum of one annual 10 meeting at which it will review each school building's emergency and crisis response plans, protocols, and procedures 11 and each building's compliance with the school safety drill 12 programs. The purpose of this annual review shall be to review 13 14 and update the emergency and crisis response plans, protocols, and procedures and the school safety drill programs of the 15 16 district and each of its school buildings. In updating a school 17 building's emergency and crisis response plans, consideration may be given to making the emergency and crisis response plans 18 19 available to first responders, administrators, and teachers 20 for implementation and utilization through the use of 21 electronic applications on electronic devices, including, but 22 not limited to, smartphones, tablets, and laptop computers.

(b) Each school board or the board's designee is required

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to participate in the annual review and to invite each of the following parties to the annual review and provide each party with a minimum of 30-days' notice before the date of the annual review:

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(1) The principal of each school within the school district or his or her official designee.

7 (2) Representatives from any other education-related
8 organization or association deemed appropriate by the
9 school district.

10 (3) Representatives from all local first responder 11 organizations to participate, advise, and consult in the 12 review process, including, but not limited to:

13 (A) the appropriate local fire department or14 district;

(B) the appropriate local law enforcement agency;

16 (C) the appropriate local emergency medical 17 services agency if the agency is a separate, local 18 first responder unit; and

(D) any other member of the first responder or emergency management community that has contacted the district superintendent or his or her designee during the past year to request involvement in a school's emergency planning or drill process.

(4) The school board or its designee may also choose to
invite to the annual review any other persons whom it
believes will aid in the review process, including, but not

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limited to, any members of any other education-related
 organization or the first responder or emergency
 management community.

4 (c) Upon the conclusion of the annual review, the school
5 board or the board's designee shall sign a one page report,
6 which may be in either a check-off format or a narrative
7 format, that does the following:

8 (1) summarizes the review's recommended changes to the
9 existing school safety plans and drill plans;

10 (2) lists the parties that participated in the annual 11 review, and includes the annual review's attendance 12 record;

13 (3) certifies that an effective review of the emergency 14 and crisis response plans, protocols, and procedures and 15 the school safety drill programs of the district and each 16 of its school buildings has occurred;

17 (4) states that the school district will implement
18 those plans, protocols, procedures, and programs, during
19 the academic year; and

20 (5) includes the authorization of the school board or21 the board's designee.

(d) The school board or its designee shall send a copy of the report to each party that participates in the annual review process and to the appropriate regional superintendent of schools. If any of the participating parties have comments on the certification document, those parties shall submit their HB5716 Engrossed - 4 - LRB098 20216 NHT 55565 b

1 comments in writing to the appropriate regional 2 superintendent. The regional superintendent shall maintain a 3 record of these comments. The certification document may be in 4 a check-off format or narrative format, at the discretion of 5 the district superintendent.

6 (e) The review must occur at least once during the fiscal 7 year, at a specific time chosen at the school district 8 superintendent's discretion.

9 (Source: P.A. 96-734, eff. 8-25-09.)