



## 104TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

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SB2057

Introduced 2/6/2025, by Sen. Michael E. Hastings

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

5 ILCS 100/5-45.65 new  
105 ILCS 128/40  
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Amends the School Safety Drill Act. Requires the State Board of Education and the Office of the Fire Marshal to develop clear and definitive guidelines to school districts, private schools, and first responders as to how to develop threat assessment procedures, rapid entry response plans, and cardiac emergency response plans. Requires the State Board of Education and the Office of the State Fire Marshal to cooperate to adopt rules to implement the provisions of the amendatory Act. Grants emergency rulemaking powers to the State Board of Education and the Office of the State Fire Marshal to implement the provisions of the amendatory Act for a period not to exceed 180 days after the effective date of the amendatory Act. Requires the State Board of Education to provide school districts with standards outlining what steps or consideration shall be included within the school district's threat assessment procedure. Makes a corresponding change in the Illinois Administrative Procedure Act. Effective immediately.

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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 Illinois Administrative Procedure Act is  
5 amended by adding Section 5-45.65 as follows:

6 (5 ILCS 100/5-45.65 new)

7 Sec. 5-45.65. Emergency rulemaking; the State Board of  
8 Education and the Office of the State Fire Marshal. To provide  
9 for the expeditious and timely implementation of Section 40 of  
10 the School Safety Drill Act, emergency rules implementing the  
11 Section 40 of the School Safety Drill Act may be adopted in  
12 accordance with Section 5-45 by the State Board of Education  
13 and the Office of the State Fire Marshal. The adoption of  
14 emergency rules authorized by Section 5-45 and this Section is  
15 deemed to be necessary for the public interest, safety, and  
16 welfare.

17 This Section is repealed one year after the effective date  
18 of this amendatory Act of the 104th General Assembly.

19 Section 10. The School Safety Drill Act is amended by  
20 changing Sections 40 and 45 as follows:

21 (105 ILCS 128/40)

1       Sec. 40. Common rules. The State Board of Education and  
2 the Office of the State Fire Marshal shall cooperate together  
3 and coordinate with all appropriate education, first  
4 responder, and emergency management officials to (i) develop  
5 and implement one common set of rules to be administered under  
6 this Act and (ii) develop clear and definitive guidelines to  
7 school districts, private schools, and first responders as to  
8 how to develop school emergency and crisis response plans, how  
9 to develop school emergency and crisis response plans, threat  
10 assessment procedures, rapid entry response plans, and cardiac  
11 emergency response plans, how to exercise and drill based on  
12 such plans, and how to incorporate lessons learned from these  
13 exercises and drills into school emergency and crisis response  
14 plans. The State Board of Education and the Office of the State  
15 Fire Marshal shall cooperate to adopt rules to implement the  
16 provisions of this amendatory Act of the 104th General  
17 Assembly. Recognizing the adoption of such rules are deemed an  
18 emergency and necessary for the public interest, safety, and  
19 welfare of Illinois schools, the State Board of Education and  
20 the Office of the State Fire Marshal may adopt rules necessary  
21 to implement the provisions of this amendatory Act of the  
22 104th General Assembly through the use of emergency rulemaking  
23 in accordance with Section 5-45 of the Illinois Administrative  
24 Procedure Act for a period not to exceed 180 days after the  
25 effective date of this amendatory Act of the 104th amendatory  
26 Act.

1 (Source: P.A. 94-600, eff. 8-16-05.)

2 (105 ILCS 128/45)

3 Sec. 45. Threat assessment procedure.

4 (a) Each school district must implement a threat  
5 assessment procedure that may be part of a school board policy  
6 on targeted school violence prevention. The procedure must  
7 include the creation of a threat assessment team. The team  
8 must include at least one law enforcement official and  
9 cross-disciplinary representatives of the district who are  
10 most directly familiar with the mental and behavioral health  
11 needs of students and staff. Such cross-disciplinary  
12 representatives may include the following members:

13 (1) An administrator employed by the school district  
14 or a special education cooperative that serves the school  
15 district and is available to serve.

16 (2) A teacher employed by the school district or a  
17 special education cooperative that serves the school  
18 district and is available to serve.

19 (3) A school counselor employed by the school district  
20 or a special education cooperative that serves the school  
21 district and is available to serve.

22 (4) A school psychologist employed by the school  
23 district or a special education cooperative that serves  
24 the school district and is available to serve.

25 (5) A school social worker employed by the school

1 district or a special education cooperative that serves  
2 the school district and is available to serve.

3 (6) (Blank).

4 If a school district is unable to establish a threat  
5 assessment team with school district staff and resources, it  
6 may utilize a regional behavioral threat assessment and  
7 intervention team that includes mental health professionals  
8 and representatives from the State, county, and local law  
9 enforcement agencies.

10 (b) A school district shall establish the threat  
11 assessment team under this Section no later than 180 days  
12 after August 23, 2019 (the effective date of Public Act  
13 101-455) and must implement an initial threat assessment  
14 procedure no later than 120 days after August 23, 2019 (the  
15 effective date of Public Act 101-455). Each year prior to the  
16 start of the school year, the school board shall file the  
17 threat assessment procedure and a list identifying the members  
18 of the school district's threat assessment team or regional  
19 behavior threat assessment and intervention team with (i) a  
20 local law enforcement agency and (ii) the regional office of  
21 education or, with respect to a school district organized  
22 under Article 34 of the School Code, the State Board of  
23 Education.

24 (b-5) A charter school operating under a charter issued by  
25 a local board of education may adhere to the local board's  
26 threat assessment procedure or may implement its own threat

1 assessment procedure in full compliance with the requirements  
2 of this Section. The charter agreement shall specify in detail  
3 how threat assessment procedures will be determined for the  
4 charter school.

5 (b-10) A special education cooperative operating under a  
6 joint agreement must implement its own threat assessment  
7 procedure in full compliance with the requirements of this  
8 Section, including the creation of a threat assessment team,  
9 which may consist of individuals employed by the member  
10 districts. The procedure must include actions the special  
11 education cooperative will take in partnership with its member  
12 districts to address a threat.

13 (c) Any sharing of student information under this Section  
14 must comply with the federal Family Educational Rights and  
15 Privacy Act of 1974 and the Illinois School Student Records  
16 Act.

17 (d) (Blank).

18 (e) The State Board of Education shall provide school  
19 districts with standards outlining what steps or consideration  
20 shall be included within the school district's threat  
21 assessment procedure. The standards shall provide guidance for  
22 how and when a school district will notify parents and  
23 community members of a threat.

24 (Source: P.A. 102-791, eff. 5-13-22; 102-894, eff. 5-20-22;  
25 103-154, eff. 6-30-23; 103-175, eff. 6-30-23; 103-780, eff.  
26 8-2-24.)

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