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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

105 ILCS 5/2-3.166
105 ILCS 5/10-22.39
105 ILCS 5/34-18.7

from Ch. 122, par. 34-18.7

Amends the School Code. With regard to training to identify the warning signs of mental illness and suicidal behavior, requires all personnel (rather than specific personnel) to undergo the training annually. Beginning with the 2017-2018 school year, requires this training to include a school district's policy on suicide awareness and prevention; makes related changes. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT
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STATE MANDATES
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REIMBURSEMENT

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 Code is amended by changing Sections
5 2-3.166, 10-22.39, and 34-18.7 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/2-3.166)

7 Sec. 2-3.166. Youth suicide awareness and prevention.

8 (a) This Section may be referred to as Ann Marie's Law.

9 (b) The State Board of Education shall do both of the
10 following:

11 (1) In consultation with a youth suicide prevention
12 organization operating in this State and organizations
13 representing school boards and school personnel, develop a
14 model youth suicide awareness and prevention policy that is
15 consistent with subsection (c) of this Section.

16 (2) Compile, develop, and post on its publicly
17 accessible Internet website both of the following, which
18 may include materials already publicly available:

19 (A) Recommended guidelines and educational
20 materials for training and professional development.

21 (B) Recommended resources and age-appropriate
22 educational materials on youth suicide awareness and
23 prevention.

1 (c) The model policy developed by the State Board of
2 Education under subsection (b) of this Section and any policy
3 adopted by a school board under subsection (d) of this Section
4 shall include all of the following:

5 (1) A statement on youth suicide awareness and
6 prevention.

7 (2) Protocols for administering youth suicide
8 awareness and prevention education to staff and students.

9 (3) Methods of prevention, including procedures for
10 early identification and referral of students at risk of
11 suicide.

12 (4) Methods of intervention, including procedures that
13 address an emotional or mental health safety plan for
14 students identified as being at increased risk of suicide.

15 (5) Methods of responding to a student or staff suicide
16 or suicide attempt.

17 (6) Reporting procedures.

18 (7) Recommended resources on youth suicide awareness
19 and prevention programs, including current contact
20 information for such programs.

21 (d) Beginning with the 2015-2016 school year, each school
22 board shall review and update its current suicide awareness and
23 prevention policy to be consistent with subsection (c) of this
24 Section or adopt an age-appropriate youth suicide awareness and
25 prevention policy consistent with subsection (c) of this
26 Section, inform each school district employee and the parent or

1 legal guardian of each student enrolled in the school district
2 of such policy, and post such policy on the school district's
3 publicly accessible Internet website. The policy adopted by a
4 school board under this subsection (d) may be based upon the
5 model policy developed by the State Board of Education under
6 subsection (b) of this Section.

7 Beginning with the 2017-2018 school year, each school board
8 shall annually conduct training for all school personnel on the
9 district's policy adopted under this subsection (d), in
10 accordance with Section 10-22.39 or 34-18.7, as applicable.

11 (Source: P.A. 99-443, eff. 8-21-15; 99-642, eff. 7-28-16.)

12 (105 ILCS 5/10-22.39)

13 Sec. 10-22.39. In-service training programs.

14 (a) To conduct in-service training programs for teachers.

15 (b) In addition to other topics at in-service training
16 programs, all school personnel ~~school guidance counselors,~~
17 ~~teachers, school social workers, and other school personnel who~~
18 ~~work with pupils in grades 7 through 12~~ shall be trained
19 annually to identify the warning signs of mental illness and
20 suicidal behavior in adolescents and teens and shall be taught
21 appropriate intervention and referral techniques. Beginning
22 with the 2017-2018 school year, this training shall include the
23 policy on suicide awareness and prevention adopted under
24 subsection (d) of Section 2-3.166 of this Code.

25 (c) School guidance counselors, nurses, teachers and other

1 school personnel who work with pupils may be trained to have a
2 basic knowledge of matters relating to acquired
3 immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS), including the nature of the
4 disease, its causes and effects, the means of detecting it and
5 preventing its transmission, and the availability of
6 appropriate sources of counseling and referral, and any other
7 information that may be appropriate considering the age and
8 grade level of such pupils. The School Board shall supervise
9 such training. The State Board of Education and the Department
10 of Public Health shall jointly develop standards for such
11 training.

12 (d) In this subsection (d):

13 "Domestic violence" means abuse by a family or household
14 member, as "abuse" and "family or household members" are
15 defined in Section 103 of the Illinois Domestic Violence Act of
16 1986.

17 "Sexual violence" means sexual assault, abuse, or stalking
18 of an adult or minor child proscribed in the Criminal Code of
19 1961 or the Criminal Code of 2012 in Sections 11-1.20, 11-1.30,
20 11-1.40, 11-1.50, 11-1.60, 12-7.3, 12-7.4, 12-7.5, 12-12,
21 12-13, 12-14, 12-14.1, 12-15, and 12-16, including sexual
22 violence committed by perpetrators who are strangers to the
23 victim and sexual violence committed by perpetrators who are
24 known or related by blood or marriage to the victim.

25 At least once every 2 years, an in-service training program
26 for school personnel who work with pupils, including, but not

1 limited to, school and school district administrators,
2 teachers, school guidance counselors, school social workers,
3 school counselors, school psychologists, and school nurses,
4 must be conducted by persons with expertise in domestic and
5 sexual violence and the needs of expectant and parenting youth
6 and shall include training concerning (i) communicating with
7 and listening to youth victims of domestic or sexual violence
8 and expectant and parenting youth, (ii) connecting youth
9 victims of domestic or sexual violence and expectant and
10 parenting youth to appropriate in-school services and other
11 agencies, programs, and services as needed, and (iii)
12 implementing the school district's policies, procedures, and
13 protocols with regard to such youth, including
14 confidentiality. At a minimum, school personnel must be trained
15 to understand, provide information and referrals, and address
16 issues pertaining to youth who are parents, expectant parents,
17 or victims of domestic or sexual violence.

18 (e) At least every 2 years, an in-service training program
19 for school personnel who work with pupils must be conducted by
20 persons with expertise in anaphylactic reactions and
21 management.

22 (f) At least once every 2 years, a school board shall
23 conduct in-service training on educator ethics,
24 teacher-student conduct, and school employee-student conduct
25 for all personnel.

26 (Source: P.A. 97-1150, eff. 1-25-13; 98-471, eff. 1-1-14.)

1 (105 ILCS 5/34-18.7) (from Ch. 122, par. 34-18.7)

2 Sec. 34-18.7. Adolescent and teen mental illness and
3 suicide detection and intervention. All school personnel
4 employed under this Article ~~School guidance counselors,~~
5 ~~teachers, school social workers, and other school personnel who~~
6 ~~work with pupils in grades 7 through 12~~ shall be trained
7 annually to identify the warning signs of mental illness and
8 suicidal behavior in adolescents and teens and shall be taught
9 various intervention techniques. Beginning with the 2017-2018
10 school year, this training shall include the policy on suicide
11 awareness and prevention adopted under subsection (d) of
12 Section 2-3.166 of this Code. The ~~Such~~ training shall be
13 provided within the framework of existing in-service training
14 programs offered by the Board or as part of the professional
15 development activities required under Section 21-14 of this
16 Code.

17 (Source: P.A. 98-471, eff. 1-1-14.)

18 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
19 becoming law.