

2026 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 392

BY REPRESENTATIVE BOYD

SCHOOLS: Provides relative to requirements for posting suicide hotline information on school websites and student ID cards

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 17:282.4(F), relative to suicide prevention programs for students;
3 to provide relative to information required to be shared on school websites and
4 student identification cards; to revise the content of the information; to broaden
5 applicability of requirements; to require signage at schools about the national suicide
6 prevention hotline number and a state suicide prevention website; and to provide for
7 related matters.

8 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

9 Section 1. This Act shall be known and may be cited as the "Student Suicide
10 Prevention Awareness Act.

11 Section 2. R.S. 17:282.4(F) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

12 §282.4. Youth suicide prevention programs; student safety and violence and social
13 isolation prevention training; policies; intent; rules; services; funding

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15 F.(1) Each public and approved nonpublic ~~secondary~~ middle school and high
16 school shall post on its website the following information:

17 (a) The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline hotline number, "988", with an
18 explanation that this number may be called or texted.

19 (b) A local suicide prevention hotline number, if available, and a state
20 suicide prevention hotline number, if available.

Present law requires each secondary school that issues ID cards to include 988 and a local hotline number, if available, on the back of the cards. Proposed law broadens the application of this requirement to both middle schools and high schools and additionally requires an explanation that 988 may be called or texted and the inclusion of a state hotline number, if available.

Proposed law adds that each middle and high school that receives federal funds shall post signage in easily visible locations to inform students about the national suicide prevention hotline number, 988, and information about Louisiana988.org.

Proposed law provides that proposed law shall be known and may be cited as the "Student Suicide Prevention Awareness Act".

(Amends R.S. 17:282.4(F))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Education to the original bill:

1. Add a requirement that school websites include a link to Louisiana988.org.
2. Add a requirement that schools post signage about 988 and Louisiana988.org.
3. Add that proposed law shall be known and may be cited as the "Student Suicide Prevention Awareness Act".