
HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

2019 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Education to Original House Bill No. 53 by Representative Moss

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 3, delete "and (G)"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 9, delete "and (G)"

AMENDMENT NO. 3Delete page 2 in its entirety and on page 3, delete lines 1 through 5 and at the beginning of line 6, change "G." to "F."AMENDMENT NO. 4On page 3, at the end of line 8, delete "the following information:" and delete lines 9 through 11 in their entirety and insert "the United Way of Southwest Louisiana's teen text hotline."AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 3, delete lines 22 through 28 in their entirety and insert the following:

"B. (1) The board shall adopt rules to require that all public and approved nonpublic school teachers, school counselors, and principals and, as determined by the board, other school administrators for whom such training is deemed beneficial participate annually in at least two hours of in-service training in suicide prevention. Such rules shall include provisions permitting such training to be provided by self-review of suitable materials.

(2) The training shall address the following:

(a) Increasing awareness of risk factors including but not limited to the following:

(i) Mental health and substance abuse conditions.

(ii) Childhood abuse, neglect, and trauma.

(iii) Potential causes of stress, such as bullying, harassment, and relationship problems.

(iv) Secondary trauma from a suicide or sensationalized or graphic accounts of suicide in media.

(v) History of suicide attempts and related family history.

(b) How teachers should respond to suspicious behavior or warning signs exhibited by students.

(c) How teachers should respond to a crisis situation in which a student is in imminent danger to himself.

(d) Policies and protocol for communication with parents, including specifications for circumstances in which parental notification is not in the best interest of the student.

(e) Counseling services available within the school for students and their families related to suicide prevention.

(f) Dissemination of information concerning crisis intervention, suicide prevention, and mental health services in the community for students and their families and school employees.

(g) Community organizations and agencies for referral of students to health, mental health, substance abuse, and social support services, including development

1 of at least one memorandum of understanding between the school system and such
2 an entity in the community or region."

3 AMENDMENT NO. 6

4 On page 4, at the beginning of line 9, delete "annually survey employees of all" and insert
5 "randomly survey employees of"

6 AMENDMENT NO. 7

7 On page 4, at the beginning of line 10, delete "as defined in R.S. 17:236(C)"

8 AMENDMENT NO. 8

9 On page 5, delete line 4 in its entirety and insert: "(54) Youth suicide prevention programs,
10 R.S. 17:282.4."