

**ACT No. 86**

2017 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 452

BY REPRESENTATIVES ABRAMSON, ANDERS, ARMES, BAGNERIS, BILLIOT, CARMODY, STEVE CARTER, FOIL, GISCLAIR, LANCE HARRIS, HORTON, JAY MORRIS, JIM MORRIS, STOKES, TALBOT, THOMAS, AND WHITE AND SENATOR WALSWORTH

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 17:437.1(B) and to enact R.S. 17:3996(B)(13), relative to  
3 training for certain school employees; to make requirement for in-service training in  
4 suicide prevention applicable to nonpublic and charter school personnel; and to  
5 provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 17:437.1(B) is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S.  
8 17:3996(B)(13) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

9 §437.1. Suicide prevention; in-service training; materials and supplies; limitation  
10 on liability

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12 B. The board shall adopt rules to require that all public and approved  
13 nonpublic school teachers, school counselors, and principals and, as determined by  
14 the board, other school administrators for whom such training is deemed beneficial  
15 participate annually in at least two hours of in-service training in suicide prevention  
16 ~~and that such training begin not later than the 2008-2009 school year.~~ Such rules  
17 shall include provisions permitting such training to be provided by self-review of  
18 suitable materials.

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20 §3996. Charter schools; exemptions; requirements

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1           B. Notwithstanding any state law, rule, or regulation to the contrary and  
2           except as may be otherwise specifically provided for in an approved charter, a  
3           charter school established and operated in accordance with the provisions of this  
4           Chapter and its approved charter and the school's officers and employees shall be  
5           exempt from all statutory mandates or other statutory requirements that are  
6           applicable to public schools and to public school officers and employees except for  
7           the following laws otherwise applicable to public schools with the same grades:

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(13) In-service training regarding suicide prevention, R.S. 17:437.1.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_