

GREEN SHEET REDIGEST

HB 495

2022 Regular Session

Schlegel

STUDENTS: Requires the implementation of suicide prevention and student safety and violence and social isolation prevention training and the creation of clubs at certain public schools

DIGEST

Proposed law requires that public school students in grades six through 12 receive training on the following topics:

- (1) Suicide prevention.
- (2) Student safety and violence and social isolation prevention.

Proposed law requires each public school governing authority with jurisdiction over a school with students in grades six through 12 to allow the creation of student-led clubs focused on the two topics listed above.

Proposed law requires the state Dept. of Education to maintain a list of evidence-based training on the two topics listed above and review such list at least triennially.

Provides such training shall each be:

- (1) Evidence-based.
- (2) The duration of one standard class period or one hour.

Proposed law allows parents to request that their children be excused from the training.

Effective July 1, 2023.

(Amends R.S. 17:282.4(C)(1)(intro. para.) and (c) and 286(A); Adds R.S. 17:282.4(G) and (H))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

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

1. Change subject of training from student safety, violence prevention, and social inclusion to student safety and violence and social isolation prevention.

The House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill:

1. Add special effective date.

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Education to the reengrossed bill

1. Changes from a mandated creation of a school club relative to suicide prevention to a mandate that school clubs be allowed to be created.