

2018

SENATE BILL NO. 333

By Senator Givens

AN ACT concerning school districts; relating to the Jason Flatt act; amending K.S.A. 2017 Supp. 72-6284 and repealing the existing section.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

Section 1. K.S.A. 2017 Supp. 72-6284 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-6284.

(a) This section shall be known and may be cited as the Jason Flatt act.

(b) The board of education of each school district shall develop a written plan to provide suicide awareness and prevention programming to ~~all~~ selected school staff ~~and~~. Such written plan shall be published on the school district's website, and shall include, but is not limited to, identification of the training materials to be used and identification of the school staff required to participate in such training. The identification of school staff for such training shall be based on the extent of such staff member's interaction with students. The board of education shall notify the parents or legal guardians of students enrolled in such school district of the school staff who are required to participate in the training, and that the training materials provided under such programming are available to such parents or legal guardians. Such programming shall include, at a minimum:

(1) ~~At least one hour of~~ Training each calendar year based on programs approved by the state board of education. Such training may be satisfied through independent self-review of suicide prevention training materials; and

(2) a building crisis plan developed for each school building. Such plan shall include:

(A) Steps for recognizing suicide ideation;

(B) appropriate methods of interventions; and

(C) a crisis recovery plan.

(c) No cause of action may be brought for any loss or damage caused by any act or omission resulting from the implementation of the provisions of this section, or resulting from any training, or lack of training, required by this section. Nothing in this section shall be construed to impose any specific duty of care.

(d) ~~On or before January 1, 2017,~~ The state board of education shall adopt rules and regulations necessary to implement the provisions of this section.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2017 Supp. 72-6284 is hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.