

# HB5572



## 101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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HB5572

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### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

105 ILCS 5/2-3.166

Amends the School Code. Makes changes to provisions regarding youth suicide awareness and prevention. Sets forth some of the characteristics of students at an increased risk of suicide. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT  
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning education.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The School Code is amended by changing Section  
5 2-3.166 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/2-3.166)

7 Sec. 2-3.166. Youth suicide awareness and prevention.

8 (a) This Section may be referred to as Ann Marie's Law.

9 (b) The State Board of Education shall do both of the  
10 following:

11 (1) In consultation with a youth suicide prevention  
12 organization operating in this State and organizations  
13 representing school boards and school personnel, develop a  
14 model youth suicide awareness and prevention policy that is  
15 consistent with subsection (c) of this Section.

16 (2) Compile, develop, and post on its publicly  
17 accessible Internet website both of the following, which  
18 may include materials already publicly available:

19 (A) Recommended guidelines and educational  
20 materials for training and professional development.

21 (B) Recommended resources and age-appropriate  
22 educational materials on youth suicide awareness and  
23 prevention.

1 (c) The model policy developed by the State Board of  
2 Education under subsection (b) of this Section and any policy  
3 adopted by a school board under subsection (d) of this Section  
4 shall include all of the following:

5 (1) A statement on youth suicide awareness and  
6 prevention.

7 (2) Protocols for administering youth suicide  
8 awareness and prevention education to staff and students.

9 (3) Methods of prevention, including procedures for  
10 early identification and referral of students at risk of  
11 suicide.

12 (4) Methods of intervention, including procedures that  
13 address an emotional or mental health safety plan for  
14 students identified as being at increased risk of suicide,  
15 including those students who:-

16 (A) suffer from a mental health disorder;

17 (B) suffer from a substance abuse disorder;

18 (C) engage in self-harm or have previously  
19 attempted suicide;

20 (D) reside in an out-of-home placement;

21 (E) are experiencing homelessness;

22 (F) are lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, or  
23 questioning (LGBTQ);

24 (G) are bereaved by suicide; or

25 (H) have a medical condition or certain types of  
26 disabilities.

1           (5) Methods of responding to a student or staff suicide  
2           or suicide attempt.

3           (6) Reporting procedures.

4           (7) Recommended resources on youth suicide awareness  
5           and prevention programs, including current contact  
6           information for such programs.

7           (d) Beginning with the 2015-2016 school year, each school  
8           board shall review and update its current suicide awareness and  
9           prevention policy to be consistent with subsection (c) of this  
10          Section or adopt an age-appropriate youth suicide awareness and  
11          prevention policy consistent with subsection (c) of this  
12          Section, inform each school district employee and the parent or  
13          legal guardian of each student enrolled in the school district  
14          of such policy, and post such policy on the school district's  
15          publicly accessible Internet website. The policy adopted by a  
16          school board under this subsection (d) may be based upon the  
17          model policy developed by the State Board of Education under  
18          subsection (b) of this Section.

19          (Source: P.A. 99-443, eff. 8-21-15; 99-642, eff. 7-28-16.)

20          Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
21          becoming law.