

**SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 4258**

A bill to amend 2013 PA 183, entitled
"Student safety act,"
by amending section 3 (MCL 752.913), as amended by 2020 PA 401.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 3. (1) The department, in consultation with the
2 department of health and human services and the department of
3 education, shall, to the extent that funds are appropriated for the
4 purpose, establish a program for receiving reports and other
5 information from the public regarding potential self-harm and
6 potential harm or criminal acts, including, but not limited to,
7 sexual abuse, assault, or rape, directed at school students, school
8 employees, or schools in this state. The department shall establish
9 the program within the guidelines of this act. The department shall



1 have access to the information needed to meet the reporting
2 requirements of section 8.

3 (2) The program described in subsection (1) must include a
4 hotline for receiving reports and information described in
5 subsection (1). The hotline must be available for use 24 hours a
6 day, 365 days a year. The department may provide promotional
7 information regarding the program on its departmental website.

8 (3) Beginning on the date that the hotline established under
9 this act is operational, all calls received by any existing state-
10 run school violence hotline in operation before the establishment
11 of this act must be directed to the hotline established under this
12 act. Any existing state-run school violence hotline in operation
13 before December 13, 2013 must be disconnected within 6 months after
14 the hotline established under this act is operational.

15 (4) The department is responsible for the continued
16 operational and administrative oversight of the program. The
17 program must provide for a means to review all information
18 submitted through the hotline and to direct those reports and that
19 information, including any analysis of the potential threat as
20 determined appropriate by the department to local law enforcement
21 officials and school officials. The program must include a means by
22 which responses at the local level are determined and evaluated for
23 effectiveness. The department shall ensure that appropriate
24 training is provided to program personnel in all of the following
25 areas:

26 (a) Crisis management, including recognizing mental illness
27 and emotional disturbance.

28 (b) The resources that are available in the community for
29 providing mental health treatment and other human services.



1 (c) Other matters determined by the department to be relevant
2 to the administration and operation of the program.

3 (5) Beginning on the effective date of the amendatory act that
4 added this subsection, if the department is able to identify the
5 school that is the subject of a tip or is able to identify the
6 location involved with a tip, the department shall, as soon as
7 possible or not more than 24 hours after receiving the tip, notify
8 all of the following:

9 (a) The identified school through the school's main office
10 telephone line, or, if the notification is provided outside of
11 normal business hours, through a telephone line designated by the
12 school.

13 (b) The local law enforcement agency or county sheriff's
14 department within which the school is located.

15 (c) Any other agency determined to be appropriate by the
16 department.

17 (6) ~~(5)~~—A report or other information submitted to the hotline
18 is considered to be a report to a law enforcement agency and must
19 be maintained as a record by the department for at least 1 year,
20 subject to the confidentiality requirements of this act.

21 (7) ~~(6)~~—The department shall ensure that any hotline
22 information that suggests that a psychiatric emergency is taking
23 place within a county is immediately referred to the community
24 mental health services program psychiatric crisis line for that
25 county.

26 (8) ~~(7)~~—The department shall develop a source of information
27 on available community mental health resources and contacts,
28 including mental health services. The department shall notify
29 schools and law enforcement of this information source. The notice



1 must include the departmental recommendation that schools and law
2 enforcement, on investigating a case and determining that mental
3 illness or emotional disturbance is or may be involved, utilize
4 this information in aiding subjects and their parents or guardians.

5 **(9)** ~~(8)~~—At least biannually, the governing body of a school
6 shall provide to the department current emergency contact
7 information for at least 1 school official to ensure that a school
8 official is able to receive information under subsection (4) at all
9 times. If a governing body provides contact information for more
10 than 1 school official, the governing body shall specify the days
11 and times that each school official is available to receive
12 information under subsection (4).

13 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect
14 unless House Bill No. 4259 of the 103rd Legislature is enacted into
15 law.