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SYNOPSIS

Requires school security training for persons employed by public and nonpublic schools in substitute capacity and for employees and volunteers of youth programs operated in school buildings.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Senate Education Committee on November 14, 2019, with amendments.



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1 **An Act** concerning school security training and amending P.L.2009, c.178.

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BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

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- 1. Section 2 of P.L.2009, c.178 (C.18A:41-7) is amended to read as follows:
- 2. a. A local board of education and chief school 9 10 administrator of a nonpublic school shall ensure that all full-time employees in the district or nonpublic school ¹[, all individuals 11 12 employed in any substitute capacity or position by the district or 13 nonpublic school, and all persons who supervise youth programs 14 that operate in a district or nonpublic school building before or after 15 school hours, on weekends, or during a period in which the school is not in session, **1** are provided with training on school safety and 16 security that includes instruction on school security drills. The 17 training shall use the drill guide and training materials prepared 18 19 pursuant to section 3 of P.L.2009, c.178 (C.App.A:9-86) and shall 20 utilize various formats such as drills, functional exercises, and tabletop exercises. The annual training [provided to employees] 21 ¹provided to employees ¹ shall be conducted collaboratively by the 22 district or nonpublic school and emergency responders, including 23 24 law enforcement, fire, and emergency medical services personnel, 25 in order to identify weaknesses in school safety and security 26 policies and procedures and to increase the effectiveness of 27 emergency responders.
 - ¹b. A local board of education and chief school administrator of a nonpublic school shall ensure that individuals employed in the school district or nonpublic school in a substitute capacity are provided with information and training on the district's or nonpublic school's practices and procedures on school safety and security including instruction on school security drills, evacuation procedures, and emergency response protocols in the school district or nonpublic school and the school building where the individuals are employed. In the event that an individual is employed in a substitute capacity in the district or nonpublic school at the time the school safety and security training is being provided to full-time employees pursuant to subsection a. of this section, the district or nonpublic shall include the individual in the training.
 - c. A local board of education and chief school administrator of a nonpublic school shall provide to all persons who supervise youth programs that are not sponsored by the school district or nonpublic school, but operate a program in a district or nonpublic school

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

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1 building before or after school hours, on the weekend, or during a 2 period when school is not in session, information on school district 3 or nonpublic school practices and procedures in the event of a 4 school safety or security incident at a school including non-5 confidential information on evacuation procedures, emergency 6 response protocols, and emergency contact information. It shall be 7 the responsibility of the organization that sponsors the youth 8 program to train the program's employees and volunteers on the 9 school security and emergency procedures in effect in the school 10 building in which the youth program is located. The organization 11 that sponsors the youth program shall file a statement of assurance 12 with the school district superintendent or chief school administrator 13 of the nonpublic school that it has complied with the training 14 requirements prior to the district or nonpublic school authorizing 15 the use of the school building. The statement of assurance shall be 16 developed by the Commissioner of Education and shall be filed 17 with the school district or nonpublic school on an annual basis.¹ (cf: P.L.2016, c.80, s.3) 18

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2. This act shall take effect in the first full school year following the date of enactment.