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SYNOPSIS

Requires certain student identification cards to contain telephone number for suicide prevention hotline.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As amended by the General Assembly on March 25, 2021.

(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 5/20/2021)

1 AN ACT concerning student suicide prevention and supplementing
2 chapter 6 and chapter 3B of Title 18A of the New Jersey
3 Statutes.

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

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8 1. A public school that includes any of the grades seven
9 through 12 and that issues student identification cards shall have
10 printed on the back of the student identification cards the telephone
11 number for ¹**[a suicide prevention hotline]** the New Jersey Suicide
12 Prevention Hopeline (NJ Hopeline) and contact information for a
13 crisis text line¹.

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15 2. An institution of higher education that issues student
16 identification cards shall have printed on the back of the student
17 identification cards the telephone number for ¹**[a suicide prevention**
18 **hotline]** the New Jersey Suicide Prevention Hopeline (NJ Hopeline)
19 and contact information for a crisis text line¹.

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21 ¹3. A public school that includes any of the grades seven
22 through 12 and that issues student identification cards, and an
23 institution of higher education that issues student identification
24 cards, may, in addition to the telephone number for the NJ Hopeline
25 and contact information for a crisis text line, provide contact
26 information for the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline, an on-
27 campus crisis center, or any other mental health support service.¹

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29 ¹**[3.Section 1 of this]** 4. This¹ act shall take effect in the first
30 full school year ¹**[following the date of enactment, and section 2 of**
31 **this act shall take effect]** or¹ in the first full academic year ¹, as
32 applicable,¹ following the date of enactment.

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

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹Assembly floor amendments adopted March 25, 2021.