

An Act relating to schools; creating the School Protection Act; providing short title; stating purpose of the act; providing definitions; limiting liability of an education employee for certain acts or omissions; limiting liability for use of corporal punishment under certain conditions; establishing burden of proof and level of evidence; specifying certain conditions; making certain conditions consistent with act; prohibiting punitive damages being awarded against an education employee; providing certain exceptions; clarifying application of prohibition; specifying certain exceptions to the limitation of liability; limiting application if misconduct is during the hiring process; limiting application in relation to corporal punishment; making it unlawful to make a false criminal report against an education employee; providing punishment; limiting application for statements against certain persons; providing for effect on other laws; providing for the award of costs and attorney fees; limiting application to certain action or proceedings; authorizing expert witness fees; limiting amount of contingency fees by an attorney; providing for waiver of a defense when liability insurance is available; providing for the applicability of other laws; providing for codification; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.