

1 **SENATE FLOOR VERSION**

2 February 26, 2019

3 SENATE BILL NO. 382

By: Floyd of the Senate

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8 An Act relating to safe school committees; amending
9 70 O.S. 2011, Section 24-100.5, as last amended by
10 Section 2, Chapter 246, O.S.L. 2015 (70 O.S. Supp.
11 2018, Section 24-100.5), which relates to safe school
12 committee policies; directing school districts' safe
school committees to make recommendations regarding
professional development to recognize and report
suspected human trafficking; providing an effective
date; and declaring an emergency.

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15 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

16 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2011, Section 24-100.5, as
17 last amended by Section 2, Chapter 246, O.S.L. 2015 (70 O.S. Supp.
18 2018, Section 24-100.5), is amended to read as follows:

19 Section 24-100.5. A. Every year each public school site shall
20 establish a Safe School Committee to be composed of at least seven
21 (7) members. The Safe School Committee shall be composed of
22 teachers, parents of enrolled students, students, and a school
23 official who participates in the investigation of reports of
24 bullying as required by subsection A of Section 24-100.4 of this

1 title. The Committee may include administrators, school staff,
2 school volunteers, community representatives, and local law
3 enforcement agencies. The Committee shall assist the school board
4 in promoting a positive school climate through planning,
5 implementing and evaluating effective prevention, readiness and
6 response strategies, including the policy required by Section 24-
7 100.4 of this title.

8 B. The Safe School Committee shall study and make
9 recommendations to the principal regarding:

10 1. Unsafe conditions, possible strategies for students, faculty
11 and staff to avoid physical and emotional harm at school, student
12 victimization, crime prevention, school violence, and other issues
13 which prohibit the maintenance of a safe school;

14 2. Student bullying as defined in Section 24-100.3 of this
15 title;

16 3. Professional development needs of faculty and staff to
17 recognize and implement methods to decrease student bullying; ~~and~~

18 4. Methods to encourage the involvement of the community and
19 students, the development of individual relationships between
20 students and school staff, and use of problem-solving teams and
21 resources that include counselors and other behavioral health and
22 suicide prevention resources within or outside the school system;
23 and

1 5. Professional development needs of faculty and staff to
2 recognize and report suspected human trafficking.

3 In its considerations, the Safe School Committee shall review
4 the district policy for the prevention of bullying and the list of
5 research-based programs appropriate for the prevention of bullying
6 of students at school compiled by the State Department of Education.
7 In addition, the Committee may review traditional and accepted
8 bullying prevention programs utilized by other states, state
9 agencies, or school districts.

10 C. The Safe School Committee may study and make recommendations
11 to the school district board of education regarding the development
12 of a rape or sexual assault response program that may be implemented
13 at the school site.

14 D. The State Department of Education shall:

15 1. Develop a model policy and deliver training materials to all
16 school districts on the components that should be included in a
17 school district policy for the prevention of bullying; and

18 2. Compile and distribute to each public school site,
19 prominently display on the State Department of Education website and
20 annually publicize in print media a list of research-based programs
21 appropriate for the prevention of bullying of students. If a school
22 district implements a commercial bullying prevention program, it
23 shall use a program listed by the State Department of Education.
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1 E. The provisions of this section shall not apply to technology
2 center schools.

3 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2019.

4 SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
5 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby
6 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
7 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

8 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION
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