

**Substitute for SENATE BILL No. 323**

By Committee on Education

2-15

1 AN ACT concerning school districts; creating the Jason Flatt act; requiring  
2 suicide prevention training for school district personnel.

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4 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

5 Section 1. (a) This section shall be known and may be cited as the  
6 Jason Flatt act.

7 (b) The board of education of each school district shall provide  
8 suicide awareness and prevention programming to all school staff and shall  
9 notify the parents or legal guardians of students enrolled in such school  
10 district that the training materials provided under such programming are  
11 available to such parents or legal guardians. Such programming shall  
12 include, at a minimum:

13 (1) At least one hour of training each calendar year based on  
14 programs approved by the state board of education. Such training may be  
15 satisfied through independent self-review of suicide prevention training  
16 materials; and

17 (2) a building crisis plan developed for each school building. Such  
18 plan shall include:

19 (A) Steps for recognizing suicide ideation;

20 (B) appropriate methods of interventions; and

21 (C) a crisis recovery plan.

22 (c) No cause of action may be brought for any loss or damage caused  
23 by any act or omission resulting from the implementation of the provisions  
24 of this section, or resulting from any training, or lack of training, required  
25 by this section, unless such loss or damage was caused by willful and  
26 wanton misconduct. Nothing in this section shall be construed to impose  
27 any specific duty of care.

28 (d) On or before January 1, 2017, the state board of education shall  
29 adopt rules and regulations necessary to implement the provisions of this  
30 section.

31 Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its  
32 publication in the Kansas register.