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LEGISLATIVE BILL 572

Introduced by Davis, 43. Read first time January 21, 2015 Committee: Education

- A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to schools; to amend section 79-2,144, Reissue
 Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to provide duties for the state school
 security director relating to cyberbullying and digital citizenship
 issues; and to repeal the original section.
- 5 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. Section 79-2,144, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska,
 is amended to read:

3 79-2,144 The state school security director appointed pursuant to 4 section 79-2,143 shall be responsible for providing leadership and 5 support for safety and security for the public schools. Duties of the 6 director include, but are not limited to:

(1) Collecting safety and security plans, required pursuant to rules 7 and regulations of the State Department of Education relating to 8 9 accreditation of schools, and other school security information from each school system in Nebraska. School districts shall provide the state 10 school security director with the safety and security plans of the school 11 district and any other security information requested by the director, 12 13 but any plans or information submitted by a school district may be withheld by the department pursuant to subdivision (8) of section 14 84-712.05; 15

16 (2) Recommending minimum standards for school security on or before
17 January 1, 2016, to the State Board of Education;

(3) Conducting an assessment of the security of each public school
building, which assessment shall be completed by August 31, 2017;

(4) Identifying deficiencies in school security based on the minimum
standards adopted by the State Board of Education and making
recommendations to school boards for remedying such deficiencies;

(5) Establishing security awareness and preparedness tools and
 training programs for public school staff;

(6) Establishing research-based model instructional programs for
staff, students, and parents to address the underlying causes for violent
attacks on schools;

(7) Overseeing suicide awareness and prevention training in public
schools pursuant to section 79-2,146;

30 (8) Establishing tornado preparedness standards which shall include,
31 but not be limited to, ensuring that every school conduct at least two

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1 tornado drills per year; and

2 (9) Responding to inquiries and requests for assistance relating to
3 school security from private, denominational, and parochial schools;
4 and -

5 <u>(10) Recommending curricular and extracurricular materials to assist</u> 6 <u>school districts in preventing and responding to cyberbullying and</u> 7 <u>digital citizenship issues.</u>

8 Sec. 2. Original section 79-2,144, Reissue Revised Statutes of 9 Nebraska, is repealed.