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Pursuant to House Rule 24-1, this document incorporates amendments that have been adopted prior to consideration of this measure by the House. It is a tool to show the amendments in context and is not to be used for the purpose of amendments.

AN ACT

RELATING TO EDUCATION; REQUIRING SUICIDE AWARENESS AND

PREVENTION TRAINING FOR CERTAIN SCHOOL PERSONNEL IN PUBLIC

SFC→AND PRIVATE←SFC SCHOOLS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

- SECTION 1. A new section of the Public School Code is enacted to read:
- "[NEW MATERIAL] SUICIDE AWARENESS AND PREVENTION TRAINING
 FOR PUBLIC SFC-AND PRIVATE SFC SCHOOL PERSONNEL.--
- A. The department shall adopt rules on or before .209279.1

January 1, 2019 requiring public SFC→and private←SFC school personnel, including teachers, educational assistants, guidance counselors, coaches, principals and other administrators, nurses and social workers, to receive at least one hour of suicide awareness and prevention training each year for elementary school faculty and staff and two hours of suicide awareness and prevention training each year for middle and high school faculty and staff. This training shall be provided within the framework of existing in-service training, including online training and train-the-trainer programs, provided by the department SFC→,←SFC SFC→or←SFC a school district SFC→or a private school←SFC.

The department, in consultation with the department of health, a statewide suicide prevention coalition, other stakeholders and suicide prevention experts, shall develop a list of approved training courses and materials to fulfill the requirements of this section. The courses and materials shall include training on how to identify appropriate mental health services both within each school and within the larger community and when and how to refer youth and their families to those services. These courses and materials may include programs or practices that can be completed by independent review of suitable suicide prevention materials by school personnel offered online or approved by the federal substance abuse and mental health services administration, the .209279.1

suicide prevention resource center's best practice registry or other evidence-informed gatekeeper programs approved by the department."

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