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A BILL

To enact section 3345.37 of the Revised Code with 1
regard to suicide prevention programs at state 2
institutions of higher education. 3

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That section 3345.37 of the Revised Code be 4
enacted to read as follows: 5

Sec. 3345.37. (A) Each state institution of higher 6
education, as defined in section 3345.011 of the Revised Code, 7
shall develop and implement a policy to advise students and 8
staff on suicide prevention programs available on and off campus 9
that includes all of the following: 10

(1) Crisis intervention access, which shall include 11
information for national, state, and local suicide prevention 12
hotlines; 13

(2) Mental health program access, which shall provide 14

information on the availability of local mental health clinics, 15
student health services, and counseling services; 16

(3) Multimedia application access, which shall include 17
crisis hotline contact information, suicide warning signs, 18
resources offered, and free-of-cost applications; 19

(4) Student communication plans, which shall consist of 20
creating outreach plans regarding educational and outreach 21
activities on suicide prevention; 22

(5) Postvention plans, which shall consist of creating a 23
strategic plan to communicate effectively with students, staff, 24
and parents after a loss of a person to suicide. 25

(B) Each state institution of higher education shall 26
provide all incoming students with information about mental 27
health topics, including depression and suicide prevention 28
resources available to students. The information provided to 29
students shall include available mental health services and 30
other support services, including student-run organizations for 31
individuals at risk of or affected by suicide. 32

(C) The information prescribed by divisions (A) (1), (2), 33
(3), and (4) of this section shall be posted on the web site of 34
each state institution of higher education. 35

Any applicable free-of-cost prevention materials or 36
programs shall be posted on the web sites of the board of 37
regents and the department of mental health and addiction 38
services. The materials or programs shall be reviewed on an 39
annual basis by the department of mental health and addiction 40
services. 41