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**A BILL**

To amend section 3319.073 of the Revised Code with 1  
regard to educator in-service training on youth 2  
suicide awareness and prevention in public 3  
schools. 4

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

**Section 1.** That section 3319.073 of the Revised Code be 5  
amended to read as follows: 6

**Sec. 3319.073.** (A) The board of education of each city and 7  
exempted village school district and the governing board of each 8  
educational service center shall adopt or adapt the curriculum 9  
developed by the department of education for, or shall develop 10  
in consultation with public or private agencies or persons 11  
involved in child abuse prevention or intervention programs, a 12  
program of in-service training in the prevention of child abuse, 13  
violence, and substance abuse and the promotion of positive 14  
youth development. Each person employed by any school district 15  
or service center to work in a school as a nurse, teacher, 16  
counselor, school psychologist, or administrator shall complete 17  
at least four hours of the in-service training within two years 18

of commencing employment with the district or center, and every 19  
five years thereafter. A person who is employed by any school 20  
district or service center to work in an elementary school as a 21  
nurse, teacher, counselor, school psychologist, or administrator 22  
on March 30, 2007, shall complete at least four hours of the in- 23  
service training not later than March 30, 2009, and every five 24  
years thereafter. A person who is employed by any school 25  
district or service center to work in a middle or high school as 26  
a nurse, teacher, counselor, school psychologist, or 27  
administrator on October 16, 2009, shall complete at least four 28  
hours of the in-service training not later than October 16, 29  
2011, and every five years thereafter. 30

(B) Each board shall incorporate training in school safety 31  
and violence prevention, including human trafficking content, 32  
into the in-service training required by division (A) of this 33  
section. For this purpose, the board shall adopt or adapt the 34  
curriculum developed by the department or shall develop its own 35  
curriculum in consultation with public or private agencies or 36  
persons involved in school safety and violence prevention 37  
programs. 38

(C) Each board shall incorporate training on the board's 39  
harassment, intimidation, or bullying policy adopted under 40  
section 3313.666 of the Revised Code into the in-service 41  
training required by division (A) of this section. Each board 42  
also shall incorporate training in the prevention of dating 43  
violence into the in-service training required by that division 44  
for middle and high school employees. The board shall develop 45  
its own curricula for these purposes. 46

(D) Each board shall incorporate training in youth suicide 47  
awareness and prevention into the in-service training required 48

by division (A) of this section for each person employed by a 49  
school district or service center to work in a school as a 50  
nurse, teacher, counselor, school psychologist, or 51  
administrator, and any other personnel that the board determines 52  
appropriate. The board shall require each such person to undergo 53  
training in youth suicide awareness and prevention programs 54  
annually. For this purpose, the board shall adopt or adapt the 55  
curriculum developed by the department or shall develop its own 56  
curriculum in consultation with public or private agencies or 57  
persons involved in youth suicide awareness and prevention 58  
programs. 59

The training completed under this division shall count 60  
toward the satisfaction of requirements for professional 61  
development required by the school district or service center 62  
board, and the training may be accomplished through self-review 63  
of suitable suicide prevention materials approved by the board. 64

**Section 2.** That existing section 3319.073 of the Revised 65  
Code is hereby repealed. 66