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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) Not later than one year after the 6
effective date of this section, each state institution of higher 7
education, as defined in section 3345.011 of the Revised Code, 8
shall develop and implement a policy to advise students and 9
staff on suicide prevention programs available on and off campus 10

that includes all of the following: 11

(1) Crisis intervention access, which shall include 12
information for national, state, and local suicide prevention 13
hotlines; 14

(2) Mental health program access, which shall provide 15
information on the availability of local mental health clinics, 16
student health services, and counseling services; 17

(3) Multimedia application access, which shall include 18
crisis hotline contact information, suicide warning signs, 19
resources offered, and free-of-cost applications; 20

(4) Student communication plans, which shall consist of 21
creating outreach plans regarding educational and outreach 22
activities on suicide prevention; 23

(5) Postvention plans, which shall consist of creating a 24
strategic plan to communicate effectively with students, staff, 25
and parents after a loss of a person to suicide. 26

(B) Each state institution of higher education shall 27
provide all incoming students with information about mental 28
health topics, including depression and suicide prevention 29
resources available to students. The information provided to 30
students shall include available mental health services and 31
other support services, including student-run organizations for 32
individuals at risk of or affected by suicide. 33

(C) The information prescribed by divisions (A) (1), (2), 34
(3), and (4) of this section shall be posted on the web site of 35
each state institution of higher education. 36

Any applicable free-of-cost prevention materials or 37
programs shall be posted on the web sites of the board of 38

<u>regents and the department of mental health and addiction</u>	39
<u>services. The materials or programs shall be reviewed on an</u>	40
<u>annual basis by the department of mental health and addiction</u>	41
<u>services.</u>	42