

As Introduced

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H. B. No. 447

Representative Jordan

A BILL

To enact section 3301.41 of the Revised Code to 1
establish the School Safety Advisory Committee. 2

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

Section 1. That section 3301.41 of the Revised Code be 3
enacted to read as follows: 4

Sec. 3301.41. (A) The school safety advisory committee is 5
hereby created. The committee shall review the laws, policies, 6
and practices of other states regarding school safety. When 7
conducting its review, the committee shall focus on all of the 8
following topics: 9

(1) Reduction of harassment, including hazing, bullying, 10
and intimidation, both on and off school grounds; 11

(2) Violence prevention; 12

(3) Mental health of students and staff; 13

(4) Increased parental involvement. 14

(B) (1) The school safety advisory committee shall consist 15
of the following seven members: 16

(a) The governor, or the governor's designee; 17

<u>(b) The superintendent of public instruction, or the</u>	18
<u>superintendent's designee;</u>	19
<u>(c) The director of public safety, or the director's</u>	20
<u>designee;</u>	21
<u>(d) A member representing teachers appointed by the</u>	22
<u>governor;</u>	23
<u>(e) A member representing local law enforcement appointed</u>	24
<u>by the governor;</u>	25
<u>(f) A member of the senate appointed by the president of</u>	26
<u>the senate;</u>	27
<u>(g) A member of the house of representatives appointed by</u>	28
<u>the speaker of the house of representatives.</u>	29
<u>Members shall be appointed under division (B) (1) of this</u>	30
<u>section not later than the first day of March of each odd-</u>	31
<u>numbered year. Initial appointments under division (B) (1) of</u>	32
<u>this section shall be made not later than March 1, 2021.</u>	33
<u>(2) Not later than the first day of April of each odd-</u>	34
<u>numbered year, the school safety advisory committee shall hold</u>	35
<u>its first meeting and select a chairperson from among its</u>	36
<u>members.</u>	37
<u>(3) Members appointed under division (B) (1) of this</u>	38
<u>section shall serve for two years from the date of appointment.</u>	39
<u>(4) If a vacancy occurs prior to the expiration of a</u>	40
<u>member's term, that vacancy shall be filled in the same manner</u>	41
<u>as the original appointment, and the new member shall serve for</u>	42
<u>the duration of the original member's term.</u>	43
<u>(5) Committee members shall receive no compensation for</u>	44

their service on the school safety advisory committee. 45

(C) The department of education shall provide 46
administrative assistance to the school safety advisory 47
committee. 48

(D) Not later than the first day of November of each even- 49
numbered year, beginning with the even-numbered year that occurs 50
following the initial appointment of members under division (B) 51
(1) of this section, the school safety advisory committee shall 52
submit a report to the general assembly, in accordance with 53
section 101.68 of the Revised Code, the governor, the 54
superintendent of public instruction, and the director of public 55
safety. This report shall suggest improvements to the state's 56
laws, policies, and practices regarding school safety with the 57
goal of improving student safety in this state. 58

Section 2. Section 1 of this act shall take effect on 59
January 1, 2021. 60