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28	53A-15-1302, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2013, Chapter 139
29 30	Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:
31	Section 1. Section 53A-15-1301 is amended to read:
32	53A-15-1301. Youth suicide prevention programs required in secondary schools
33	State Board of Education to develop model programs Reporting requirements.
34	(1) As used in the section:
35	(i) "Board" means the State Board of Education.
36	(d) "Jourd" means the State Board of Education.(b) "Intervention" means an effort to prevent a student from attempting suicide.
37	(c) "Postvention" means mental health intervention after a suicide attempt or death to
38	prevent or contain contagion.
39	(d) "Program" means a youth suicide prevention program described in Subsection (2).
40	(a) "Program means a your subject provention program deserved in Subjection (2).(e) "Secondary grades":
41	(i) means grades 7 through 12; and
42	(ii) if a middle or junior high school includes grade 6, includes grade 6.
43	(f) "State Office of Education suicide prevention coordinator" means a person
44	designated by the board as described in Subsection (3).
45	(g) "State suicide prevention coordinator" means the state suicide prevention
46	coordinator described in Section 62A-15-1101.
47	(2) (a) In collaboration with the State Office of Education suicide prevention
48	coordinator, a school district or charter school shall implement a youth suicide prevention
49	program in the secondary grades of the school district or charter school.
50	(b) A school district or charter school's program shall include the following
51	components:
52	(i) prevention of youth suicides;
53	(ii) youth suicide intervention; and
54	(iii) postvention for family, students, and faculty.
55	(3) The board shall:
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57	(a) designate a State Office of Education suicide prevention coordinator; and
57	(a) designate a State Office of Education suicide prevention coordinator; and(b) in collaboration with the Department of Heath and the state suicide prevention

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59	(i) program training; and
60	(ii) resources regarding the required components described in Subsection (2)(b).
61	(4) The State Office of Education suicide prevention coordinator shall:
62	(a) oversee the youth suicide prevention programs of school districts and charter
63	schools; and
64	(b) coordinate prevention and postvention programs, services, and efforts with the state
65	suicide prevention coordinator.
66	(5) (a) Subject to legislative appropriation, the board may distribute money to a school
67	district or charter school to be used to implement [a program] evidence-based practices and
68	programs, or emerging best practices and programs, for preventing suicide in the school district
69	or charter school.
70	(b) The board shall distribute money under Subsection (5)(a) so that each school that
71	enrolls students in grade 7 or a higher grade receives an allocation of at least \$500, or a lesser
72	amount per school if the legislative appropriation is not sufficient to provide at least \$500 per
73	school.
74	(c) (i) A school shall use money allocated to the school under Subsection (5)(b) to
75	implement evidence-based practices and programs, or emerging best practices and programs,
76	for preventing suicide.
77	(ii) Each school may select the evidence-based practices and programs, or emerging
78	best practices and programs, for preventing suicide that the school implements.
79	(6) (a) The board shall report to the Legislature's Education Interim Committee, by the
80	November 2014 meeting, jointly with the state suicide prevention coordinator, on:
81	(i) the progress of school district and charter school programs; and
82	(ii) the board's coordination efforts with the Department of Health and the state suicide
83	prevention coordinator.
84	(b) School districts and charter schools shall provide to the board information that is
85	necessary for the board's report to the Legislature's Education Interim Committee as required in
86	Subsection (6)(a).
87	Section 2. Section 53A-15-1302 is amended to read:
88	53A-15-1302. Parent education Mental health Bullying Safety.
89	(1) (a) Except as provided in Subsection (5), a school district shall offer a seminar for

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90	parents of students in the school district that:
91	(i) is offered at no cost to parents;
92	(ii) begins at or after 6 p.m.;
93	(iii) is held in at least one school located in the school district; and
94	[(iv) is offered once a year; and]
95	[(v)] (iv) covers the topics described in Subsection (2).
96	(b) A school district shall annually offer one parent seminar for each 11,000 students
97	enrolled in the school district.
98	[(b)] (c) A school district may:
99	(i) develop its own curriculum for the seminar described in Subsection (1)(a); or
100	(ii) use the curriculum developed by the State Board of Education under Subsection
101	(2).
102	[(c)] (d) A school district shall notify each charter school located in the attendance
103	boundaries of the school district of the date and time of [the] a parent seminar, so the charter
104	school may inform parents of the seminar.
105	(2) The State Board of Education shall:
106	(a) develop a curriculum for the parent seminar described in Subsection (1) that
107	includes information on:
108	(i) substance abuse, including illegal drugs and prescription drugs and prevention;
109	(ii) bullying;
110	(iii) mental health, depression, and suicide awareness; [and]
111	(iv) Internet safety, including pornography addiction; and
112	(v) home firearm storage safety; and
113	(b) provide the curriculum, including resources and training, to school districts upon
114	request.
115	(3) The State Board of Education shall report to the Legislature's Education Interim
116	Committee, by the November 2013 meeting, on the progress of implementation of the parent
117	seminar, including if a local school board has opted out of providing the parent seminar, as
118	described in Subsection (5), and the reasons why a local school board opted out.
119	(4) The State Board of Education shall report to the Legislature's Education Interim
120	Committee by the November 2014 meeting on:

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121	(a) the progress of implementation of the parent seminar;
122	(b) the estimated attendance reported by each school district;
123	(c) a recommendation of whether to continue the parent seminar program; and
124	(d) if a local school board has opted out of providing the parent seminar, as described
125	in Subsection (5), and the reasons why a local school board opted out.
126	(5) (a) A school district is not required to offer the parent seminar if the local school
127	board determines that the topics described in Subsection (2) are not of significant interest or
128	value to families in the school district.
129	(b) If a local school board chooses not to offer the parent seminar, the local school
130	board shall notify the State Board of Education and provide the reasons why the local school
131	board chose not to offer the parent seminar.
132	Section 3. Appropriation.
133	Under the terms and conditions of Title 63J, Chapter 1, Budgetary Procedures Act, for
134	the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014, and ending June 30, 2015, the following sums of money
135	are appropriated from resources not otherwise appropriated, or reduced from amounts
136	previously appropriated, out of the funds or accounts indicated. These sums of money are in
137	addition to any amounts previously appropriated for fiscal year 2015.
138	To State Board of Education - State Office of Education
139	From General Fund \$225,500
140	Schedule of Programs:
141	Teaching and Learning \$225,500
142	Section 4. Effective date.
143	This bill takes effect on July 1, 2014.
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