

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 SENATE BILL 382

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to safe school committees; amending  
8 70 O.S. 2011, Section 24-100.5, as last amended by  
9 Section 2, Chapter 246, O.S.L. 2015 (70 O.S. Supp.  
10 2018, Section 24-100.5), which relates to safe school  
11 committee policies; directing school districts' safe  
12 school committees to make recommendations regarding  
13 professional development to recognize and report  
14 suspected human trafficking; providing an effective  
15 date; and declaring an emergency.

16 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

17 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2011, Section 24-100.5, as  
18 last amended by Section 2, Chapter 246, O.S.L. 2015 (70 O.S. Supp.  
19 2018, Section 24-100.5), is amended to read as follows:

20 Section 24-100.5. A. Every year each public school site shall  
21 establish a Safe School Committee to be composed of at least seven  
22 (7) members. The Safe School Committee shall be composed of  
23 teachers, parents of enrolled students, students, and a school  
24 official who participates in the investigation of reports of  
25 bullying as required by subsection A of Section 24-100.4 of this  
26 title. The Committee may include administrators, school staff,

1 school volunteers, community representatives, and local law  
2 enforcement agencies. The Committee shall assist the school board  
3 in promoting a positive school climate through planning,  
4 implementing and evaluating effective prevention, readiness and  
5 response strategies, including the policy required by Section 24-  
6 100.4 of this title.

7 B. The Safe School Committee shall study and make  
8 recommendations to the principal regarding:

9 1. Unsafe conditions, possible strategies for students, faculty  
10 and staff to avoid physical and emotional harm at school, student  
11 victimization, crime prevention, school violence, and other issues  
12 which prohibit the maintenance of a safe school;

13 2. Student bullying as defined in Section 24-100.3 of this  
14 title;

15 3. Professional development needs of faculty and staff to  
16 recognize and implement methods to decrease student bullying; ~~and~~

17 4. Methods to encourage the involvement of the community and  
18 students, the development of individual relationships between  
19 students and school staff, and use of problem-solving teams and  
20 resources that include counselors and other behavioral health and  
21 suicide prevention resources within or outside the school system;  
22 and

23 5. Professional development needs of faculty and staff to  
24 recognize and report suspected human trafficking.

1 In its considerations, the Safe School Committee shall review  
2 the district policy for the prevention of bullying and the list of  
3 research-based programs appropriate for the prevention of bullying  
4 of students at school compiled by the State Department of Education.  
5 In addition, the Committee may review traditional and accepted  
6 bullying prevention programs utilized by other states, state  
7 agencies, or school districts.

8 C. The Safe School Committee may study and make recommendations  
9 to the school district board of education regarding the development  
10 of a rape or sexual assault response program that may be implemented  
11 at the school site.

12 D. The State Department of Education shall:

13 1. Develop a model policy and deliver training materials to all  
14 school districts on the components that should be included in a  
15 school district policy for the prevention of bullying; and

16 2. Compile and distribute to each public school site,  
17 prominently display on the State Department of Education website and  
18 annually publicize in print media a list of research-based programs  
19 appropriate for the prevention of bullying of students. If a school  
20 district implements a commercial bullying prevention program, it  
21 shall use a program listed by the State Department of Education.

22 E. The provisions of this section shall not apply to technology  
23 center schools.

24 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2019.

1 SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation  
2 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby  
3 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and  
4 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.  
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