

House _____ Amendment NO. _____

Offered By

1 AMEND House Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 501, Page 1, Section 9.240, Line 2, by
2 inserting immediately after said section and line the following:

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4 "170.048. 1. This section shall be known and may be cited as the "Jason Flatt Act".
5 2. By July 1, 2018, each district shall adopt a policy for youth suicide awareness and
6 prevention, including plans for how the district will provide for the training and education of its
7 district employees. Each district may develop the policy in consultation with school and community
8 stakeholders, any mental health professionals employed by schools in the district, and suicide
9 prevention experts.

10 ~~[2-]~~ 3. Each district's policy shall address and include, but not be limited to, the following:

- 11 (1) Strategies that can help identify students who are at possible risk of suicide;
12 (2) Strategies and protocols for helping students at possible risk of suicide; and
13 (3) Protocols for responding to a suicide death.

14 ~~[3-]~~ 4. By July 1, 2017, the department of elementary and secondary education shall
15 develop a model policy that districts may adopt. When developing the model policy, the department
16 shall cooperate, consult with, and seek input from organizations that have expertise in youth suicide
17 awareness and prevention. By July 1, 2021, and at least every three years thereafter, the department
18 shall request information and seek feedback from districts, school and community stakeholders,
19 mental health professionals employed by schools, and suicide prevention experts on their experience
20 with the policy for youth suicide awareness and prevention. The department shall review this
21 information and may use it to adapt the department's model policy. The department shall post any
22 information on its website that it has received from districts that it deems relevant. The department
23 shall not post any confidential information or any information that personally identifies any student
24 or school employee."; and

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26 Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references
27 accordingly.
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Action Taken _____ Date _____