

**FIRST ENGROSSMENT  
with House Amendments  
ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2186**

Introduced by

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1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 15.1-19 and a new section to  
2 chapter 54-12 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to requiring schools to post  
3 information regarding child abuse, neglect, and school safety and crisis reporting programs; and  
4 to provide a continuing appropriation.

5 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

6 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 15.1-19 of the North Dakota Century Code is created  
7 and enacted as follows:

8 **Child abuse and neglect information and resources in schools.**

9 The superintendent of public instruction shall require each school to post, at an average  
10 student's eye level, in school common areas information, resources, and helplines for students  
11 regarding child abuse and neglect. The helpline numbers must be easily discernible from a  
12 distance of ten feet [3.05 meters].

13 **SECTION 2.** A new section to chapter 54-12 of the North Dakota Century Code is created  
14 and enacted as follows:

15 **School safety and crisis reporting programs - Confidentiality of records - Continuing**  
16 **appropriation.**

- 17 1. The attorney general shall encourage and promote the use of statewide and locally  
18 selected school safety and crisis reporting programs.
- 19 2. If funding becomes available, the attorney general may:
- 20 a. Expand a statewide program to include tailored reporting mechanisms targeted to  
21 incidents of bullying and physical or sexual abuse; and
- 22 b. Conduct outreach to promote awareness of statewide and locally selected school  
23 safety and crisis reporting programs.

- 1        3. All records or information related to the operation of programs described in
- 2        subsection 1 are exempt records as defined in section 44-04-18.1.
- 3        4. The attorney general may seek and accept gifts, grants, and donations from any
- 4        source for the purpose of carrying out its duties under this section. All moneys
- 5        received as gifts, grants, and donations are appropriated to the attorney general on a
- 6        continuing basis for the purpose of carrying out this section.
- 7        5. The attorney general may adopt rules necessary to administer the duties required to
- 8        carry out this section.