

HB 1639 - AS INTRODUCED

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HOUSE BILL **1639**

AN ACT relative to the youth risk behavior survey in schools.

SPONSORS: Rep. Boehm, Hills. 20; Rep. Cordelli, Carr. 4

COMMITTEE: Education

ANALYSIS

This bill requires a school board to annually approve the youth risk behavior survey developed by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention before administering the survey to students, and requires a parent or legal guardian to opt in to participation in the survey.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
 Matter removed from current law appears ~~[in brackets and struckthrough.]~~
 Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty Two

AN ACT relative to the youth risk behavior survey in schools.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 1 School Districts; Youth Risk Behavior Survey. Amend RSA 186:11, IX-d to read as follows:

2 IX-d. Require School Districts to Adopt a Policy Governing the Administration of Non-
3 academic Surveys or Questionnaires to Students. The policy shall require school districts to notify a
4 parent or legal guardian of a non-academic survey or questionnaire and its purpose. The policy shall
5 provide that no student shall be required to volunteer for or submit to a non-academic survey or
6 questionnaire, as defined in this paragraph, without written consent of a parent or legal guardian
7 unless the student is an adult or an emancipated minor. ~~[The policy shall include an exception from
8 the consent requirement for the youth risk behavior survey developed by the Centers for Disease
9 Control and Prevention.]~~ ***The local school district board shall annually approve the youth
10 risk behavior survey developed by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention before
11 administering the survey to students.*** The policy shall ~~[also allow a parent or legal guardian to
12 opt-out of]~~ ***include a provision that allow requires a parent or legal guardian to, either in
13 writing or electronically, opt in to participation in*** the youth risk behavior survey developed by
14 the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The school district shall make such surveys or
15 questionnaires available, at the school and on the school or school district's website, for review by a
16 student's parent or legal guardian at least 10 days prior to distribution to students. In this
17 paragraph, "non-academic survey or questionnaire" means surveys, questionnaires, or other
18 documents designed to elicit information about a student's social behavior, family life, religion,
19 politics, ***race***, sexual orientation, sexual activity, drug use, or any other information not related to a
20 student's academics.

21 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect upon its passage.