

SB 408 – AS INTRODUCED

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SENATE BILL **408**

AN ACT relative to a school district's policy informing parents of bullying incidents.

SPONSORS: Sen. Forsythe, Dist 4; Rep. Parison, Hills 3; Rep. Hill, Merr 6; Rep. Fleck, Carr 5;
Rep. Flanagan, Hills 5

COMMITTEE: Education

ANALYSIS

This bill repeals the provision requiring a school's policy on bullying and cyberbullying to contain a waiver from parental notification and makes the waiver from notification procedure discretionary.

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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Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twelve

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

1 1 New Paragraph; Pupil Safety and Violence Prevention. Amend RSA 193-F:4 by inserting after
2 paragraph II the following new paragraph:

3 II-a. In addition to the requirements set forth in paragraph II, a school board's policy may
4 include a procedure authorizing the superintendent or designee, to grant the school principal or
5 designee a waiver from the notification requirement specified in subparagraph II(h) if the
6 superintendent or designee deems such waiver to be in the best interest of the victim or perpetrator.
7 Any waiver granted shall be in writing. Granting a waiver shall not negate the school's
8 responsibility to adhere to the remainder of its approved written policy.

9 2 Repeal. RSA 193-F:4, II(i), relative to the superintendent's authority to grant the school
10 principal a waiver from the requirement to notify a parent or guardian of a school bullying or
11 cyberbullying incident, is repealed.

12 3 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.