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AN ACT relative to school safety and coordination with law enforcement.

SPONSORS: Sen. Lang, Dist 2

COMMITTEE: Education

ANALYSIS

This bill clarifies the ability of school employees to communicate with law enforcement on an ongoing basis, for the purpose of taking preventative action if a threat arises to the health, safety, and wellbeing of students.

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removed from current law appears [in brackets and struckthrough.]Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty Three

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

1 68:1 Education; Safe School Zones; Confidentiality. Amend RSA 193-D:7 to read as follows:

2 193-D:7 Confidentiality.

I. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, it shall be permissible for any law enforcement officer and any school administrator to exchange information relating only to acts of theft, destruction, or violence in a safe school zone regarding the identity of any juvenile, police records relating to a juvenile, or other relevant information when such information reasonably relates to delinquency or criminal conduct, suspected delinquency or suspected criminal conduct, or any conduct which would classify a pupil as a child in need of services under RSA 169-D or a child in need of protection under RSA 169-C.

9 *II.* Notwithstanding any other provision of law, law enforcement may disclose law enforcement 10 records or information contained within such records related to any report of a "serious threat to school 11 safety" pursuant to RSA 169-B:2, XIV to the reporting school officials for use in disciplinary proceedings 12 conducted in accordance with RSA 193:13, I(b) and II. Law enforcement may also, upon issuance of a 13 court order pursuant to RSA 169-B:35, II, disclose court records to such school officials. All records shall 14 be maintained in accordance with the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act, 20 U.S.C. section 1232g, 15 and applicable state law.

68:2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

Approved: June 07, 2023 Effective Date: August 06, 2023