

**SHB 3131 - H AMD 1264**

By Representative Santos

**ADOPTED 2/19/2008**

1           On page 5, beginning on line 19, strike all of section 2 and  
2 insert the following:

3           "NEW SECTION.   **Sec. 2.**   (1) The superintendent of public  
4 instruction shall convene a multistakeholder school threat  
5 assessment work group to develop, by September 1, 2009, a model  
6 policy and programmatic guidance on threat assessment and threat  
7 management in schools. The model policy's purpose is to provide  
8 school personnel and community safety agencies with best practice  
9 policies and procedures that should be followed to address  
10 assessment and intervention methods associated with a student's act  
11 or threat of violence or harm, or a student's use, attempted use,  
12 threatened use, or intent to use a weapon on school grounds. The  
13 model policy shall:

14           (a) Be consistent with the elements of RCW 28A.320.128 and the  
15 office of the superintendent of public instruction's model policy  
16 addressing requirements for notification of threats of violence or  
17 harm adopted under RCW 28A.320.128;

18           (b) Address the definition of threat assessment in the context  
19 of a student's act or threat of violence or harm, or a student's  
20 use, attempted use, threatened use, or intent to use a weapon on  
21 school grounds;

22           (c) Define the range of best practice interventions that should  
23 be pursued if a student involved in an act or threat of violence or  
24 harm to self, others, or property, or the use, attempted use,  
25 threatened use, or intent to use a weapon on school grounds, is  
26 either released to the community while expelled or suspended, or  
27 returned to the school environment; and

28           (d) Address the purpose of a school threat assessment,  
29 guidelines for school threat management plans, governance of the  
30 threat assessment process, including the responsibilities of the

1 convening agency, the boundaries of information shared between  
2 multiple agencies, membership of threat assessment committees, and  
3 liability issues for those involved in the process.

4 (2) The multistakeholder school threat assessment work group  
5 should consist of representatives from the office of the  
6 superintendent of public instruction, the association of Washington  
7 school principals, the Washington association of school  
8 administrators, the Washington school directors association, the  
9 Washington state safe school advisory committee, the Washington  
10 association of sheriffs and police chiefs, the Washington state  
11 emergency management division, school employee unions, school risk  
12 managers, special education professionals, the mental health  
13 division of the department of social and health services, the  
14 juvenile court administrators association, and other appropriate  
15 community safety agencies and organizations as determined by the  
16 superintendent of public instruction.

17 (3) By September 1, 2010, the office of the superintendent of  
18 public instruction will facilitate quarterly trainings to school  
19 districts on the implementation of the model school threat  
20 assessment policy and programmatic guidance to provide school  
21 personnel and community safety agencies with the recommended best  
22 practice policies and procedures. This training will address the  
23 assessment and intervention methods associated with a student's act  
24 or threat of violence or harm, or a student's use, attempted use,  
25 threatened use, or intent to use a weapon on school grounds.

26 (4) The superintendent of public instruction shall provide the  
27 following reports to the education committees of the house of  
28 representatives and the senate:

29 (a) By September 15, 2009, a report on the components of the  
30 model policy adopted under subsection (1) of this section;

31 (b) By January 15, 2011, a report on the implementation of the  
32 quarterly trainings required under subsection (3) of this section;  
33 and

34 (c) By November 15, 2011, a report on the compliance of school  
35 districts in adopting the policy on threat assessment and threat  
36 management required under section 3 of this act.

37 (5) The office of superintendent of public instruction shall  
38 implement this section within existing funds.

39 (6) This section expires December 31, 2011.

1        NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 3.**    A new section is added to chapter  
2 28A.320 RCW to read as follows:

3        By September 1, 2011, each school district board of directors  
4 shall adopt a policy on threat assessment and threat management in  
5 schools that addresses how schools will provide for the safety of  
6 all individuals involved in or affected by threats of violence or  
7 harm, or the use, attempted use, threatened use, or intent to use  
8 a firearm or other weapon prohibited under RCW 9.41.280.    The  
9 school district's threat assessment and threat management policy  
10 must address the issues identified in section 2(1) of this act.    In  
11 developing its policy on threat assessment and threat management,  
12 the school district shall consider the model policy and guidance on  
13 threat assessment and threat management developed by the office of  
14 the superintendent of public instruction under section 2 of this  
15 act."

16        Correct the title.

**EFFECT:**    Requires the Superintendent of Public Instruction to  
provide the following reports to the education committees of  
the house of representatives and the senate:

- By 9/15/2009, a report on the components of the model  
policy;
- By 1/15/2011, a report on the implementation of the  
quarterly trainings to school districts; and
- By 11/15/2011, a report on the compliance of school  
districts in adopting the policy on threat assessment and  
threat management.

Requires the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction  
to implement the provisions of the bill concerning the model  
threat assessment policy, school district trainings, and  
reports to the Legislature within existing funds and provides  
that these sections expire on 12/31/2011.