

Public Education Appropriations Subcommittee

Budget Motion – 2018 General Session

February 12, 2017

Representative Steve Eliason

Motion: I move to include in a subsequent public education budget bill statutory or intent language for the Matching Fund for School Nurses program as follows:

The Legislature intends that school districts and charter schools awarded a grant shall require two hours of continuing nurse education on the emotional and mental health of students, specifically, the awareness of, screening for, and triaging to appropriate treatment for mental health problems. The Legislature further intends that the training include the following: trauma-informed care, signs of mental illness, alcohol and substance abuse, response to acute mental health crises, and suicide prevention including the 24-hours availability of the SafeUT Crisis Text and Tip Line application.

The statute for the appropriation for school nurses can be found in 53F-2-406.