

SCHOOL SAFETY PROGRAMS

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AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC EDUCATION; REQUIRING THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, THROUGH THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION, TO SURVEY AND INVENTORY THE PROGRAMS AND PRACTICES BEING USED BY SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO DETER SCHOOL VIOLENCE AND MAKE PUBLIC SCHOOLS SAFE; AND REQUIRING A REPORT, TO INCLUDE FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS.

This act enacts uncodified material.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:

Section 1. School safety survey and inventory -- Report.

(1) The State Board of Education, through the state superintendent of public instruction, shall:

(a) survey and inventory the programs and practices currently being used by the state's 40 school districts to deter school violence and make public schools safe;

(b) coordinate its survey and inventory activities with the Center for the School of the Future at Utah State University and the Utah Substance Abuse and Anti-Violence Coordinating Council to identify best practices in school safety and determine which practices could and should be implemented at each school or in each school district throughout the state's public education system to make public schools safer; and

(c) determine the costs and resources required to implement the programs and practices identified under Subsection (1)(b) on a systemwide basis.

(2) The State Board of Education shall report its findings and recommendations to the Public Education Interim Committee and the Strategic Planning for Public and Higher Education Committee prior to November 30, 2000.

