

**FIREARM SAFETY AND VIOLENCE PREVENTION IN
PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

2016 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Todd Weiler

House Sponsor: _____

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill provides for firearm safety and violence prevention instruction in public schools.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- ▶ creates a pilot program to provide instruction to public school students in grade 8 on firearm safety and violence prevention;
- ▶ directs the Office of the Attorney General, in collaboration with the State Board of Education, to select a provider ~~§→ [; through a request for proposals process;] ←§~~ to supply materials and curriculum for the instruction to be provided under the pilot program;
- ▶ requires the Office of the Attorney General, in collaboration with the State Board of Education, to report on the pilot program to the Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Interim Committee; and
- ▶ sunsets the pilot program on July 1, 2019.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

This bill appropriates in fiscal year 2017:

- ▶ to the Attorney General - Attorney General, as a one-time appropriation:
 - from the General Fund, One-time, \$75,000.

Other Special Clauses:

S.B. 43



28 None

29 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

30 AMENDS:

31 **63I-1-253**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapters 62, 431, and 442

32 ENACTS:

33 **53A-13-106.5**, Utah Code Annotated 1953



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

36 Section 1. Section **53A-13-106.5** is enacted to read:

37 **53A-13-106.5. Firearm Safety and Violence Prevention Pilot Program.**

38 (1) As used in this section:

39 (a) "District school" means a public school under the control of a local school board
40 elected under Title 20A, Chapter 14, Nomination and Election of State and Local School
41 Boards.

42 (b) "Firearm" means a pistol, revolver, shotgun, short barreled shotgun, rifle, or short
43 barreled rifle, or a device that could be used as a dangerous weapon from which is expelled a
44 projectile by action of an explosive.

45 (c) "Pilot program" means the Firearm Safety and Violence Prevention Pilot Program
46 created under Subsection (2).

47 (2) There is created a Firearm Safety and Violence Prevention Pilot Program to provide
48 instruction to public school students in grade 8 on:

49 (a) firearm safety as described in Subsection **53A-13-106(3)**;

50 (b) what to do if the student becomes aware of a threat against the school; and

51 (c) active shooter preparedness.

52 (3) The Office of the Attorney General, in collaboration with the State Board of
53 Education, shall select one or more providers, through ~~§~~→ **[a request for proposals process;]**

53a **standard procurement process or an exception to standard procurement process as described**

53b **in Title 63G, Chapter 6a, Utah Procurement Code, ~~←~~§ to**

54 supply materials and curriculum for the pilot program.

55 (4) (a) A district school or charter school may participate in the pilot program, subject
56 to approval by the district school's local school board or charter school's charter school
57 governing board.

58 (b) A district school or charter school that chooses to participate in the pilot program