

**CAMPUS SAFETY AMENDMENTS**

2024 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill removes language that exists in federal law.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- ▶ removes language that exists in federal law; and
- ▶ makes technical changes.

**Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

None

**Other Special Clauses:**

None

**Utah Code Sections Affected:**

AMENDS:

**53B-28-401**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 332

REPEALS:

**53B-28-402**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2023, Chapter 16

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

Section 1. Section **53B-28-401** is amended to read:

**53B-28-401. Campus safety plans and training -- Institution duties -- Governing board duties.**



- 28 (1) As used in this section:
- 29 (a) "Covered offense" means:
- 30 (i) sexual assault;
- 31 (ii) domestic violence;
- 32 (iii) dating violence; or
- 33 (iv) stalking.
- 34 (b) "Institution" means an institution of higher education described in Section
- 35 [53B-1-102](#).
- 36 (c) "Student organization" means a club, group, sports team, fraternity or sorority, or
- 37 other organization:
- 38 (i) of which the majority of members is composed of students enrolled in an institution;
- 39 and
- 40 (ii) (A) that is officially recognized by the institution; or
- 41 (B) seeks to be officially recognized by the institution.
- 42 (2) An institution shall develop a campus safety plan that addresses:
- 43 (a) where an individual can locate the institution's policies and publications related to a
- 44 covered offense;
- 45 (b) institution and community resources for a victim of a covered offense;
- 46 (c) the rights of a victim of a covered offense, including the measures the institution
- 47 takes to ensure, unless otherwise provided by law, victim confidentiality throughout all steps in
- 48 the reporting and response to a covered offense;
- 49 (d) how the institution informs the campus community of a crime that presents a threat
- 50 to the campus community;
- 51 (e) availability, locations, and methods for requesting assistance of security personnel
- 52 on the institution's campus;
- 53 (f) guidance on how a student may contact law enforcement for incidents that occur off
- 54 campus;
- 55 (g) institution efforts related to increasing campus safety, including efforts related to
- 56 the institution's increased response in providing services to victims of a covered offense, that:
- 57 (i) the institution made in the preceding 18 months; and
- 58 (ii) the institution expects to make in the upcoming 24 months;

59 (h) coordination and communication between institution resources and organizations,  
60 including campus law enforcement;

61 (i) institution coordination with local law enforcement or community resources,  
62 including coordination related to a student's safety at an off-campus location; and

63 (j) how the institution requires a student organization to provide the campus safety  
64 training as described in Subsection (5).

65 (3) An institution shall:

66 (a) prominently post the institution's campus safety plan on the institution's website and  
67 each of the institution's campuses; and

68 (b) annually update the institution's campus safety plan.

69 (4) An institution shall develop a campus safety training curriculum that addresses:

70 (a) awareness and prevention of covered offenses, including information on institution  
71 and community resources for a victim of a covered offense;

72 (b) bystander intervention; and

73 (c) sexual consent.

74 (5) An institution shall require a student organization, in order for the student  
75 organization to receive or maintain official recognition by the institution, to annually provide  
76 campus safety training, using the curriculum described in Subsection (4), to the student  
77 organization's members.

78 [~~(6) The board shall:~~]

79 [~~(a) on or before July 1, 2019, establish minimum requirements for an institution's  
80 campus safety plan described in Subsection (2);]~~]

81 [~~(b) identify resources an institution may use to develop a campus safety training  
82 curriculum as described in Subsection (4); and]~~]

83 [~~(c) report annually to the Education Interim Committee and the Law Enforcement and  
84 Criminal Justice Interim Committee, at or before the committees' November meetings, on:]~~]

85 [~~(i) the implementation of the requirements described in this section; and]~~]

86 [~~(ii) crime statistics aggregated by housing facility as described in Subsection  
87 53B-28-403(2).]~~]

88 (6) An institution shall report annually to the Education Interim Committee and the  
89 Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Interim Committee, at or before the committee's

90 November meetings, on crime statistics aggregated by housing facility as described in

91 Subsection [53B-28-403\(2\)](#).

92 Section 2. **Repealer.**

93 This bill repeals:

94 Section **53B-28-402, Campus safety study -- Report to Legislature.**

95 Section 3. **Effective date.**

96 This bill takes effect on May 1, 2024.