



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 5425

February Session, 2002

AN ACT CONCERNING SCHOOL REPORTING OF BULLYING BEHAVIOR.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 10-233e of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2002*):

3 (a) Each local or regional board of education shall inform all pupils
4 within its jurisdiction and their parents, guardians and surrogate
5 parents, if appointed pursuant to section 10-94g, at least annually, of
6 the board policies governing [student] pupil conduct and school
7 discipline. Each board shall further provide an effective means of
8 notifying the parents, guardian or surrogate parent, if appointed, of
9 any minor pupil against whom the disciplinary action authorized by
10 the provisions of this section and sections 10-233a to 10-233d, inclusive,
11 has been taken. Such notice shall be given within twenty-four hours of
12 the time such pupil has been excluded.

13 (b) Each local or regional board of education shall require the
14 principals in the schools under the jurisdiction of the board to (1)
15 develop a procedure for pupils, teachers and other staff to make
16 anonymous reports on incidents of bullying behavior, and (2) keep
17 records and report to the board on incidents of bullying behavior in
18 their schools, measures taken to reduce the number of such incidents
19 and the effectiveness of such measures. Each board shall annually

20 report such information, by school, to the Department of Education.
21 The department shall provide information to school districts on
22 measures that have resulted in a reduction in bullying behavior. For
23 purposes of this subsection, a child is being bullied when such child is
24 subjected, repeatedly and over time, to physical and verbal aggression,
25 social alienation, intimidation, harassment based on racial or ethnic
26 background or sexual harassment by another member of the school
27 community.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
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