
OLR Bill Analysis

sHB 5262

AN ACT CONCERNING A SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT SURVEY.

SUMMARY

Beginning July 1, 2024, this bill requires the Department of Public Health (DPH) to include a sexual abuse and assault awareness prevention survey in each administration of its Connecticut School Health Survey. Under the bill, the survey must be jointly developed by DPH, the Department of Children and Families, and the State Department of Education, along with input from stakeholders.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2024

BACKGROUND

Connecticut School Health Survey

By law, DPH must biennially administer the Connecticut School Health Survey to students in grades nine through 12, if the department receives funding from the federal centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) for it. The survey must be (1) based on the CDC's Youth Risk behavior Survey and (2) administered in high schools the CDC randomly selects.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Committee on Children

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 14 Nay 5 (03/05/2024)