

## CHAPTER 259

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**HUMAN SERVICES - BEHAVIORAL HEALTH**


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**HOUSE BILL 20-1113**

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**AN ACT**

**CONCERNING MENTAL HEALTH EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING ENHANCEMENTS TO THE SAFE2TELL PROGRAM.**

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

**SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-31-606, **amend** (2)(e), (2)(f), (2)(g), (2)(k), and (2)(l); and **add** (3) as follows:

**24-31-606. Safe2tell program - creation - duties.** (2) The program must:

(e) Promptly forward information received by the program to the appropriate law enforcement or public safety agency or school officials. THE PROGRAM IS NOT REQUIRED TO FORWARD INFORMATION IF THE CALL WAS TRANSFERRED TO THE STATEWIDE BEHAVIORAL CRISIS RESPONSE SYSTEM CREATED PURSUANT TO SECTION 27-60-103.

(f) Train law enforcement dispatch centers, school districts, individual schools, and other entities determined by the attorney general on appropriate awareness and response to safe2tell tips. TRAINING MATERIALS OUTLINING APPROPRIATE RESPONSE TO SAFE2TELL TIPS MAY BE DEVELOPED IN COLLABORATION WITH STAKEHOLDERS TO ENSURE STANDARDIZED MESSAGING.

(g) Provide safe2tell awareness and ~~education~~ EDUCATIONAL materials to all ~~preschool~~, elementary and secondary schools in Colorado WITH A PRIMARY FOCUS ON TARGETING MARKETING MATERIALS TO COLORADO SCHOOL-AGE CHILDREN,

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*Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material added to existing law; dashes through words or numbers indicate deletions from existing law and such material is not part of the act.*

TEACHERS, ADMINISTRATORS, EDUCATION PROFESSIONALS, AND, SUBJECT TO AVAILABLE FUNDS, OTHER YOUTH-RELATED ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING BOYS AND GIRLS CLUBS AND 4-H EXTENSION OFFICES, at no charge to the school ~~on or before June 30, 2017, and annually each fiscal year thereafter~~ OR RECIPIENT;

(k) Provide training and support to all ~~preschool~~, elementary and secondary schools and school districts in Colorado regarding school safety related to the safe2tell program, including answering questions and discussing reports received by the program;

(l) Provide educational materials to all ~~preschool~~, elementary and secondary schools in Colorado aimed at preventing misuse of the program;

(3) ON OR BEFORE FEBRUARY 1, 2021, THE DEPARTMENT, IN COLLABORATION WITH STAKEHOLDERS, SHALL DEVISE A PROCESS AND DEVELOP STANDARDIZED PROTOCOLS SO THAT ANY COMMUNICATION RELATED TO MENTAL HEALTH OR SUBSTANCE USE RECEIVED BY SAFE2TELL, INCLUDING ANY COMMUNICATION RELATED TO ANOTHER PERSON, MAY BE TRANSFERRED, AS APPROPRIATE, TO THE STATEWIDE BEHAVIORAL CRISIS RESPONSE SYSTEM CREATED PURSUANT TO SECTION 27-60-103.

**SECTION 2. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety.

Approved: July 8, 2020