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HOUSE BILL 18-1434

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(None),

House Committees

Public Health Care & Human Services

Senate Committees

A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING THE SAFE2TELL PROGRAM, AND, IN CONNECTION
102 THEREWITH, CREATING NEW DUTIES FOR THE SAFE2TELL
103 PROGRAM AND REQUIRING THE SAFE2TELL PROGRAM TO
104 PREPARE AN ANNUAL REPORT THAT ANALYZES DATA FROM THE
105 PROGRAM AND MAKES RECOMMENDATIONS ON IMPROVING THE
106 PROGRAM.

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://leg.colorado.gov>.)

The bill requires the safe2tell program (program) to do the

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing statute.
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.

following:

- ! Provide training and support to all preschool, elementary, and secondary schools and school districts in Colorado regarding school safety, including answering questions and discussing reports received by the program;
- ! Provide educational materials to all preschool, elementary, and secondary schools in Colorado aimed at preventing misuse of the program;
- ! Provide technical assistance and support to law enforcement officials and school officials when there is misuse of the program; and
- ! Analyze and follow up with law enforcement and schools to determine the outcome of a report made to the program, including actions taken on the report.

The bill requires the safe2tell program to prepare a written report analyzing data from the previous year on or before each December 1, beginning in 2018. The report must include data from the preceding fiscal year concerning the following and any recommendations concerning the following:

- ! A summary of outcomes and actions taken on reports made to the program;
- ! The number of safe2tell reports by category, broken down by month;
- ! The total number of incidents of misuse of the program, broken down into categories;
- ! The number of reports received involving a single incident;
- ! The number of times safe2tell was used by a reporting party to make a threat against or otherwise harm another person;
- ! The number of times a reporting party was in crisis and was reporting to the program to obtain assistance and the time it took to identify the reporting party and respond;
- ! The effectiveness of the safe2tell dispatch center in the department of public safety; and
- ! Recommendations regarding how to improve the program based on the available data.

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

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-31-606, **amend**

3 (2)(i); and **add** (2)(k), (2)(l), (2)(m), and (2)(n) as follows:

4 **24-31-606. Safe2tell program - creation - duties.** (2) The

1 program must:

2 (i) Develop training curriculum and teaching materials for a train
3 the trainer program; ~~and~~

4 (k) PROVIDE TRAINING AND SUPPORT TO ALL PRESCHOOL,
5 ELEMENTARY, AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN
6 COLORADO REGARDING SCHOOL SAFETY, INCLUDING ANSWERING
7 QUESTIONS AND DISCUSSING REPORTS RECEIVED BY THE PROGRAM;

8 (l) PROVIDE EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS TO ALL PRESCHOOL,
9 ELEMENTARY, AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS IN COLORADO AIMED AT
10 PREVENTING MISUSE OF THE PROGRAM;

11 (m) PROVIDE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND SUPPORT TO LAW
12 ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS AND SCHOOL OFFICIALS WHEN THERE IS MISUSE
13 OF THE PROGRAM; AND

14 (n) ANALYZE AND FOLLOW UP WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT AND
15 SCHOOLS TO DETERMINE THE OUTCOME OF A REPORT MADE TO THE
16 PROGRAM, INCLUDING ACTIONS TAKEN ON THE REPORT.

17 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 24-31-611 as
18 follows:

19 **24-31-611. Annual report.** (1) ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 1,
20 2018, AND ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 1 OF EACH YEAR THEREAFTER, THE
21 PROGRAM SHALL ANALYZE DATA FROM THE PRECEDING FISCAL YEAR AND
22 PREPARE A WRITTEN REPORT. THE PROGRAM SHALL POST THE REPORT ON
23 THE PROGRAM'S WEBSITE AND SHALL SUBMIT THE REPORT TO THE
24 EDUCATION AND JUDICIARY COMMITTEES OF THE HOUSE OF
25 REPRESENTATIVES AND THE SENATE, OR ANY SUCCESSOR COMMITTEES, BY
26 JANUARY 1 OF THE YEAR FOLLOWING PUBLICATION OF THE REPORT. THE
27 REPORT MUST INCLUDE DATA FROM THE PRECEDING FISCAL YEAR

1 CONCERNING THE FOLLOWING AND ANY RECOMMENDATIONS CONCERNING
2 THE FOLLOWING TO THE EXTENT THE INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE:

3 (a) A SUMMARY OF OUTCOMES AND ACTIONS TAKEN ON REPORTS
4 MADE TO THE PROGRAM;

5 (b) THE NUMBER OF SAFE2TELL REPORTS BY CATEGORY, BROKEN
6 DOWN BY MONTH;

7 (c) THE TOTAL NUMBER OF INCIDENTS OF MISUSE OF THE
8 PROGRAM, BROKEN DOWN INTO CATEGORIES;

9 (d) THE NUMBER OF REPORTS RECEIVED INVOLVING A SINGLE
10 INCIDENT;

11 (e) THE NUMBER OF TIMES SAFE2TELL WAS USED BY A REPORTING
12 PARTY TO MAKE A THREAT AGAINST OR OTHERWISE HARM ANOTHER
13 PERSON;

14 (f) THE NUMBER OF TIMES A REPORTING PARTY WAS IN CRISIS AND
15 WAS REPORTING TO THE PROGRAM TO OBTAIN ASSISTANCE AND THE TIME
16 IT TOOK TO IDENTIFY THE REPORTING PARTY AND RESPOND;

17 (g) THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE SAFE2TELL DISPATCH CENTER IN
18 THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY; AND

19 (h) RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING HOW TO IMPROVE THE
20 PROGRAM BASED ON THE AVAILABLE DATA.

21 (2) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 24-1-136
22 (11)(a)(I), THE REQUIREMENT FOR THE REPORT IN SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS
23 SECTION CONTINUES INDEFINITELY.

24 **SECTION 3. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act
25 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the
26 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August
27 8, 2018, if adjournment sine die is on May 9, 2018); except that, if a

1 referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the
2 state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act
3 within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect
4 unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in
5 November 2018 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the
6 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.