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Short Title:

HOUSE BILL 772 PROPOSED COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE H772-PCS30426-RQ-11

North Carolina Student Lifeline Act.

	Sponsors:						
	Referred to:						
	April 7, 2025						
1	A BILL TO BE ENTITLED						
2	AN ACT TO REQUIRE SCHOOLS TO SHARE THE SUICIDE AND CRISIS LIFELINE						
3	PHONE NUMBER AND NC PEER WARMLINE PHONE NUMBER IN VARIOUS						
4	WAYS.						
5	The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:						
6	SECTION 1. G.S. 115C-47 is amended by adding the following new subdivision to						
7	read:						
8	"(70) To Provide Students the Suicide and Crisis Lifeline Phone Number and the						
9	<u>NC Peer Warmline Phone Number. – A local board of education shall adopt</u>						
10	a policy to ensure all schools in the local school administrative unit provide						
11	students the phone numbers for the Suicide and Crisis Lifeline and the NC						
12	<u>Peer Warmline. The board shall verify that the phone numbers for the Lifeline</u>						
13	and the Warmline are current and accurate annually. If either phone number						
14	has changed, schools shall use the updated phone number. Unless an updated						
15	phone number exists, the schools shall have the phrases "To reach the Suicide						
16	and Crisis Lifeline, call 988 or text HOME to 741741" and "To reach the NC						
17	Peer Warmline, call 855-733-7762" in the following places:						
18	a. On any new student identification (student ID) issued to a student in						
19	grades six through 12. The text shall be in a conspicuous location on						
20	the student ID. The text may be printed on the ID or affixed by sticker.						
21	Nothing in this subdivision requires a school to issue a student ID.						
22 23 24 25 26	b.On the school website.c.On the home screen of any electronic device issued to students.d.On any school agenda or calendar, whether digital or printed.e.On a document during any suicide awareness activity.f.On a document when the student registers to attend the school."						
27	SECTION 2. G.S. 115C-150.12C is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:						
28	"(37) To provide students the Suicide and Crisis Lifeline phone number and the NC						
29	Peer Warmline phone number. – The board of trustees shall provide students						
30	the phone numbers for the Suicide and Crisis Lifeline and the NC Peer						
31	Warmline. The board shall verify that the phone numbers for the Lifeline and						
32	the Warmline are current and accurate annually. If either phone number has						
33	changed, the board shall use the updated phone number. Unless an updated						
34	phone number exists, the board shall have the phrases "To reach the Suicide						
35 36	and Crisis Lifeline, call 988 or text HOME to 741741" and "To reach the NC Peer Warmline, call 855-733-7762" in the following places:						



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		grad	des six through 12. The text shall be in a con	spicuous location on
		the s	student ID. The text may be printed on the ID	or affixed by sticker.
		Not	hing in this subdivision requires a school to is	ssue a student ID.
		<u>b.</u> <u>On t</u>	the school website.	
		<u>c.</u> <u>On t</u>	the home screen of any electronic device issu	ed to students.
		<u>d.</u> <u>On a</u>	any school agenda or calendar, whether digita	al or printed.
		$\begin{array}{cc} \underline{c.} & \underline{Ont} \\ \underline{d.} & \underline{Ont} \\ \underline{e.} & \underline{Ont} \\ f. & \underline{Ont} \end{array}$	a document during any suicide awareness act	<u>ivity.</u>
		<u>f.</u> <u>On a</u>	a document when the student registers to atte	nd the school."
			. 115C-218.75 is amended by adding a new s	
" <u>(p)</u>			ts the Suicide and Crisis Lifeline Phone Num	
			A charter school shall provide students the ph	
Suicide a	and Crisi	Lifeline an	nd the NC Peer Warmline. The school shall	verify that the phone
			the Warmline are current and accurate annu	
number 1	has chang	ed, the scho	ool shall use the updated phone number. Unle	ess an updated phone
			ll have the phrases "To reach the Suicide and	
		E to 741741'	and "To reach the NC Peer Warmline, call 8	<u>355-733-7762" in the</u>
<u>followin</u>	<u>g places:</u>			
	<u>(1)</u>		w student identification (student ID) issued to	
			12. The text shall be in a conspicuous location	
			hay be printed on the ID or affixed by stic	ker. Nothing in this
			requires a school to issue a student ID.	
	<u>(2)</u>	On the scho		
	<u>(3)</u>		ne screen of any electronic device issued to st	
	<u>(4)</u>		ool agenda or calendar, whether digital or pri	nted.
	<u>(5)</u>		nent during any suicide awareness activity.	
	<u>(6)</u>		nent when the student registers to attend the s	
			. 115C-238.66 is amended by adding a new s	
	" <u>(23)</u>		students the Suicide and Crisis Lifeline phone	
			<u>line phone number. – A regional school shall</u>	
		*	bers for the Suicide and Crisis Lifeline and the	
			I shall verify that the phone numbers for	
			are current and accurate annually. If either	-
			e school shall use the updated phone numbe	
		-	ber exists, the school shall have the phrases "	
			Lifeline, call 988 or text HOME to 741741" a	
		0	line, call 855-733-7762" in the following plac	
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			student ID. The text may be printed on the ID	
			hing in this subdivision requires a school to is	ssue a student ID.
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		\underline{d} . On a	any school agenda or calendar, whether digita	-
		\underline{e} . On a	a document during any suicide awareness act	
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			. 116-239.8(b) is amended by adding a new s	
	" <u>(26)</u>		students the Suicide and Crisis Lifeline phone	
			<u>lline phone number. – A laboratory school sl</u>	
			numbers for the Suicide and Crisis Lifelir	
		warmline.	The school shall verify that the phone number	rs for the Lifeline and

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1	the Warmline are current and accura	te annually. If either phone number has
2		lated phone number. Unless an updated
	phone number exists, the school shall	have the phrases "To reach the Suicide
	and Crisis Lifeline, call 988 or text H	OME to 741741" and "To reach the NC
	Peer Warmline, call 855-733-7762" in	n the following places:
	a. On any new student identification	ation (student ID) issued to a student in
	grades six through 12. The ter	xt shall be in a conspicuous location on
	the student ID. The text may b	e printed on the ID or affixed by sticker.
	Nothing in this subdivision re	quires a school to issue a student ID.
	b. On the school website.	
	<u>c.</u> <u>On the home screen of any ele</u>	ectronic device issued to students.
	d. On any school agenda or cale	ndar, whether digital or printed.
	e.On a document during any suitf.On a document when the stud	cide awareness activity.
	<u>f.</u> <u>On a document when the stud</u>	ent registers to attend the school."
	SECTION 6. Part 1 of Article 39 of Chapter	115C of the General Statutes is amended
	by adding a new section to read:	
	"§ 115C-550.2. Provide students the Suicide and Cris	sis Lifeline phone number and the NC
	Peer Warmline phone number.	
	Each private church school or school of religious c	
	numbers for the Suicide and Crisis Lifeline and the NC	Peer Warmline. The school shall verify
	that the phone numbers for the Lifeline and the Warmli	ne are current and accurate annually. If
	either phone number has changed, the school shall use	the updated phone number. Unless an
	updated phone number exists, the school shall have the	phrases "To reach the Suicide and Crisis
	Lifeline, call 988 or text HOME to 741741" and "T	To reach the NC Peer Warmline, call
	855-733-7762" in the following places:	
	(1) On any new student identification (st	udent ID) issued to a student in grades
	six through 12. The text shall be in a	conspicuous location on the student ID.
	The text may be printed on the ID or a	ffixed by sticker. Nothing in this section
	requires a school to issue a student ID) <u>.</u>
	(2) On the school website.	
	(3) On the home screen of any electronic	
	(4) On any school agenda or calendar, where the	nether digital or printed.
	(5) On a document during any suicide aw	
	(6) On a document when the student regi	
	SECTION 7. Part 2 of Article 39 of Chapter	115C of the General Statutes is amended
	by adding a new section to read:	
	" <u>§ 115C-558.2.</u> Provide students the Suicide and Cris	sis Lifeline phone number and the NC
	Peer Warmline phone number.	
	Each qualified nonpublic school shall provide stude	
	and Crisis Lifeline and the NC Peer Warmline. The sch	
	for the Lifeline and the Warmline are current and accura	
	changed, the school shall use the updated phone number.	
	the school shall have the phrases "To reach the Suicide and	
	to 741741" and "To reach the NC Peer Warmline, call 8	• -
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		conspicuous location on the student ID.
		ffixed by sticker. Nothing in this section
	requires a school to issue a student II	<u>).</u>
	(2) On the school website.	
	(3) On the home screen of any electronic	
	(4) On any school agenda or calendar, wh	nether digital or printed.

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1	<u>(5)</u> <u>O</u>	n a document during any suicide awareness activity.	
2		n a document when the student registers to attend the school	<u>ol.</u> "
3	SECTIO	N 8. G.S. 115D-5 is amended by adding a new subsection	to read:
4	"(aa) The State	Board of Community Colleges shall adopt a policy requirir	ng all community
5	colleges to provide s	tudents the phone numbers for the Suicide and Crisis Life	eline and the NC
6	Peer Warmline. The	State Board shall verify that the phone numbers for the	Lifeline and the
7	Warmline are current	and accurate annually. If either phone number has changed	l, the community
8		ne updated phone number. Unless an updated phone nu	
9		shall have the phrases "To reach the Suicide and Crisis Lif	
10		41" and "To reach the NC Peer Warmline, call 855-7	33-7762" in the
11	following places:		
12		n any new student identification (student ID) issued. The	
13		nspicuous location on the student ID. The text may be prin	
14		fixed by sticker. Nothing in this subsection requires a s	chool to issue a
15		ident ID.	
16		n the school website.	
17		n the home screen of any electronic device issued to studer	
18		n any school agenda or calendar, whether digital or printed	·
19		n a document during any suicide awareness activity.	1.11
20		<u>n a document when the student registers to attend the school</u>	
21		N 9. G.S. 116-11 is amended by adding a new subdivision	
22		ne Board of Governors shall adopt a policy requiring	
23		stitutions to provide students the phone numbers for the S	
24 25		feline and the NC Peer Warmline. The Board of Governors	
23 26		e phone numbers for the Lifeline and the Warmline are cur	
20 27		nually. If either phone number has changed, the constituent	
27		e the updated phone number. Unless an updated phone nu	
28 29		nstituent institutions shall have the phrases "To reach the S feline, call 988 or text HOME to 741741" and "To rea	
30		armline, call 855-733-7762" in the following places:	ui uie ne reer
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32	<u>a.</u>	be in a conspicuous location on the student ID. The tex	
33		on the ID or affixed by sticker. Nothing in this subdi	
34		school to issue a student ID.	vision requires u
35	<u>b.</u>	On the school website.	
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37	<u>d.</u>	On any school agenda or calendar, whether digital or	
38		On a document during any suicide awareness activity	-
39	<u>e.</u> <u>f.</u>	On a document when the student registers to attend the	
40		N 10. This act is effective when it becomes law and applie	
41	the 2025-2026 schoo		