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SENATE BILL 257: 2026 Appropriations Act, Sec. 8.19: North Carolina Student Lifeline Information for University Students

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Section 8.19 of S.L. 2026-41 (Senate Bill 257) requires the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina to adopt a policy requiring all constituent institutions to provide students with the phone numbers for the Suicide and Crisis Lifeline and the NC Peer Warmline. Each constituent institution must provide the information in the following places:

- Newly issued student identifications.
- The institution's website.
- The home screen of any electronic device issued to students.
- Each school agenda or calendar, digital or printed.
- On a document during any suicide awareness activity.
- On a document when the student registers for attendance.

This section became effective July 7, 2026, and applies beginning with the 2026-2027 academic year.

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