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The Student Mental Health Line Awareness Act.

Short Title:

HOUSE BILL DRH40437-NH-150A

Sponsors	: Re	epresentative Buansi.
Referred	to:	
CAR	DS IN F	A BILL TO BE ENTITLED QUIRE SUICIDE SAFETY NUMBERS ON STUDENT IDENTIFICATION PUBLIC SCHOOLS SERVING STUDENTS IN GRADES SIX THROUGH
	LVE.	and the of North Court of the courts
The Gene		embly of North Carolina enacts:
		TION 1.(a) G.S. 115C-47 is amended by adding a new subdivision to read: To Print Safety Numbers on Student Identification Cards (Student IDs). – A
	<u>(70)</u>	local board of education shall ensure that any new student ID issued to a
		student in grade six through 12 shall have printed in a conspicuous location
		on the ID the following text and phone numbers:
		 a. Call or text the Lifeline at 988, available 24 hours a day. b. The Crisis Text line can be accessed by texting HOME to 741741.
		c. The telephone number for the NC Statewide Warmline is
		1-855-733-7762.
		The local board of education shall verify that the numbers being printed on
		student IDs are accurate and current on an annual basis and shall use updated
		contact information for the resources listed in this section if found. Nothing in
		this subdivision shall be construed to require the issuance of student IDs."
	SECT	TION 1.(b) G.S. 115C-150.12C is amended by adding a new subdivision to
read:		, , ,
	"(37)	To print safety numbers on student identification cards (student IDs). – The
		board of trustees shall ensure that any new student ID issued to a student in
		grade six through 12 shall have printed in a conspicuous location on the ID
		the following text and phone numbers:
		a. Call or text the Lifeline at 988, available 24 hours a day.
		b. The Crisis Text line can be accessed by texting HOME to 741741.
		c. The telephone number for the NC Statewide Warmline is
		<u>1-855-733-7762.</u>
		The board shall verify that the numbers being printed on student IDs are
		accurate and current on an annual basis and shall use updated contact
		information for the resources listed in this section if found. Nothing in this
		subdivision shall be construed to require the issuance of student IDs."
		TION 1.(c) G.S. 115C-218.75 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:
" <u>(p)</u>		int Safety Numbers on Student Identification Cards (Student IDs). – A charter
		re that any new student ID issued to a student in grade six through 12 shall have
printed in	n a consp	bicuous location on the ID the following text and phone numbers:



1 (1) Call or text the Lifeline at 988, available 24 hours a day.
2 (2) The Crisis Text line can be accessed by texting HOME to 741741.
3 (3) The telephone number for the NC Statewide Warmline is 1-855-733-7762.

The school shall verify that the numbers being printed on student IDs are accurate and current on an annual basis and shall use updated contact information for the resources listed in this section if found. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to require the issuance of student IDs."

SECTION 1.(d) G.S. 115C-238.66 is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:

- "(23) To print safety numbers on student identification cards (student IDs). A regional school shall ensure that any new student ID issued to a student in grade six through 12 shall have printed in a conspicuous location on the ID the following text and phone numbers:
 - a. Call or text the Lifeline at 988, available 24 hours a day.
 - <u>b.</u> The Crisis Text line can be accessed by texting HOME to 741741.
 - <u>c.</u> The telephone number for the NC Statewide Warmline is 1-855-733-7762.

The school shall verify that the numbers being printed on student IDs are accurate and current on an annual basis and shall use updated contact information for the resources listed in this section if found. Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to require the issuance of student IDs."

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SECTION 1.(e) G.S. 116-239.8(b) is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:

"(26) To print safety numbers on student identification cards (student IDs). – A

- laboratory school shall ensure that any new student ID issued to a student in grade six through 12 shall have printed in a conspicuous location on the ID the following text and phone numbers:
 - a. Call or text the Lifeline at 988, available 24 hours a day.
 - <u>b.</u> <u>The Crisis Text line can be accessed by texting HOME to 741741.</u>
 - <u>c.</u> The telephone number for the NC Statewide Warmline is 1-855-733-7762.

The school shall verify that the numbers being printed on student IDs are accurate and current on an annual basis and shall use updated contact information for the resources listed in this section if found. Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to require the issuance of student IDs."

SECTION 1.(f) Part 4 of Article 39 of Chapter 115C of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

"§ 115C-566.5. To provide safety numbers on student identification cards.

To Print Safety Numbers on Student Identification Cards (Student IDs). – Nonpublic schools operating pursuant to Part 1 or Part 2 of this Article are encouraged to include on any student ID issued to a student in grade six through 12 in a conspicuous location on the ID the following text and phone numbers:

- (1) Call or text the Lifeline at 988, available 24 hours a day.
- (2) The Crisis Text line can be accessed by texting HOME to 741741.
- The telephone number for the NC Statewide Warmline is 1-855-733-7762.

The school is encouraged to verify that the numbers being printed on student IDs are accurate and current on an annual basis and use updated contact information for the resources listed in this section if found. Nothing in this section shall be construed to require the issuance of student IDs."

SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law and applies beginning with the 2025-2026 school year.

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