AN ACT concerning school districts; creating the Jason Flatt act; requiring suicide prevention training for school district personnel.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. (a) This section shall be known and may be cited as the Jason Flatt act.

(b) The board of education of each school district shall provide suicide awareness and prevention programming to all school staff and shall notify the parents or legal guardians of students enrolled in such school district that the training materials provided under such programming are available to such parents or legal guardians. Such programming shall include, at a minimum:

(1) At least one hour of training each calendar year based on programs approved by the state board of education. Such training may be satisfied through independent self-review of suicide prevention training materials; and

(2) a building crisis plan developed for each school building. Such plan shall include:

(A) Steps for recognizing suicide ideation;

(B) appropriate methods of interventions; and

(C) a crisis recovery plan.

(c) No cause of action may be brought for any loss or damage caused by any act or omission resulting from the implementation of the provisions of this section, or resulting from any training, or lack of training, required by this section, unless such loss or damage was caused by willful and wanton misconduct. Nothing in this section shall be construed to impose any specific duty of care.

(d) On or before January 1, 2017, the state board of education shall adopt rules and regulations necessary to implement the provisions of this section.

Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Kansas register.