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SYNOPSIS

Requires DOE to establish online school security resource clearinghouse.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT As introduced.



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1 AN ACT concerning school security resources and supplementing 2 chapter 41 of Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes. 3 4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State 5 of New Jersey: 6 7 1. The Department of Education, in consultation with the 8 Office of Homeland Security and Preparedness, shall develop an 9 online clearinghouse for school districts to exchange information 10 regarding the availability of school security resources, including 11 personnel and equipment, that they are able to make available to 12 other school districts in the event of an emergency. The clearinghouse shall: 13 14 a. only be accessible to authorized school district employees; 15 b. allow a user to readily identify the resources that are 16 available in school districts that are in a close proximity; and 17 c. be operational no later than one year following the effective 18 date of this act. To facilitate the development of the clearinghouse, the 19 20 department shall publish a list of resources that a school district 21 may require in the event of different emergency situations. 22 23 2. This act shall take effect immediately. 24 25 26 **STATEMENT** 27 This bill requires the Department of Education, in consultation 28 29 with the Office of Homeland Security and Preparedness, to develop an online clearinghouse for school districts to exchange information 30 31 regarding resources that they are able to make available to other 32 school districts in the event of an emergency. The clearinghouse 33 must only be accessible to authorized school district employees, and 34 must allow a user to readily identify resources available in districts that are in close proximity. The clearinghouse would be operational 35 no later than one year following the bill's effective date. 36