

1969 Assembly Bill 1068

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**CHAPTER 463, LAWS OF 1969**

AN ACT to create subchapter III (title) of ch. 161 and 161.50 to 161.54 of the statutes, relating to establishing drug education programs.

*The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:*

SECTION 1. Subchapter III (title) of chapter 161 is created to read:

**SUBCHAPTER III.**

**HEALTH PROBLEMS.**

(to precede s. 161.50)

SECTION 2. 161.50 to 161.54 of the statutes are created to read:

161.50 DEFINITIONS. In this subchapter:

(1) "Critical health problems education program" means a systematic and integrated program designed to provide appropriate learning experi-

ences based on scientific knowledge of the human organism as it functions within its environment and designed to favorably influence the health, understanding, attitudes and practices of the individual child which will enable him to adapt to changing health problems of our society. The program shall be designed to educate youth with regard to critical health problems and shall include, but not be limited to, the following topics as the basis for comprehensive education curricula in all elementary and secondary schools: drugs, narcotics, alcohol, tobacco, mental health and related health and safety topics.

(2) "Superintendent of public instruction.

161.51 EDUCATION PROGRAM. A critical health problems education program is created in the department of public instruction. The superintendent is authorized to promote, support and conduct programs to carry out the purposes of this act. These programs may include, but not be limited to:

(1) Establishing guidelines to help local school districts develop comprehensive health education programs.

(2) Establishing special inservice programs to provide professional preparation in health education for teachers throughout the state.

(3) Providing leadership for institutions of higher education to develop and extend curricula in health education for professional preparation in both inservice and preservice programs.

(4) Developing cooperative programs between school districts and institutions of higher education whereby the appropriate health personnel of such institutions would be available to guide the continuing professional preparation of teachers and the development of curricula for local programs.

(5) Assisting in the development of plans and procedures for the evaluation of health education curricula.

161.52 ADVISORY PANEL. (1) The department of public instruction may appoint an advisory committee from universities and colleges, law enforcement, the various fields of education, the voluntary health agencies it deems appropriate to advise it on the implementation of this act, including teachers, administrators and local school boards.

(2) The department of public instruction shall cooperate with agencies of the federal government and receive and use federal funds for the purposes of this act.

161.54 ANNUAL REPORT. The superintendent shall report in January of each year to the legislature:

(1) As to the scope and nature of programs undertaken under this subchapter.

(2) As to the degree and nature of cooperation being maintained with other state departments and local agencies.

(3) As to recommendations of the superintendent to improve such programs and cooperation.

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