



State of Wisconsin
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**ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 1,
TO ASSEMBLY SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT 1,
TO ASSEMBLY BILL 1031**

March 22, 2018 - Offered by Representative BALLWEG.

1 At the locations indicated, amend the substitute amendment as follows:

2 **1.** Page 1, line 6: after “handguns” insert “and school safety hotline”.

3 **2.** Page 1, line 9: after that line insert:

4 “**SECTION 1h.** 165.35 of the statutes is created to read:

5 **165.35 School safety hotline.** (1) The department of justice, working in
6 conjunction with the departments of health services and public instruction, shall
7 enter into a contract with a public or private entity to operate a 24-hour per day
8 hotline for receiving reports and other information from the public regarding
9 potential self-harm and potential harm or criminal acts directed at students in
10 grades kindergarten through 12, school employees, or schools in this state. The
11 hotline shall allow reports and information to be submitted in a variety of online or

1 wireless communications platforms. The departments shall provide information
2 about the hotline on their Web sites.

3 (2) (a) The department of justice, working in conjunction with the departments
4 of health services and public instruction, shall exercise operational and
5 administrative oversight of the hotline under sub. (1).

6 (b) An individual submitting a report or other information may remain
7 anonymous. All reports and information submitted to the hotline shall be kept
8 confidential except as follows:

9 1. Any of the 3 departments may review any report and information submitted
10 through the hotline.

11 2. Any of the 3 departments or the entity that operates the hotline may direct
12 reports and information to law enforcement, school officials, or service providers as
13 needed.

14 3. Any information or report that suggests that a psychiatric emergency is
15 occurring within a county shall be immediately referred to the appropriate county
16 department under s. 51.42.

17 (c) The department of justice, working in conjunction with the departments of
18 health services and public instruction, shall ensure that appropriate training is
19 provided to personnel responding to hotline reports and information in all of the
20 following areas:

21 1. Crisis management, including recognizing mental illness and emotional
22 disturbance.

23 2. Resources that are available for providing mental health treatment and
24 other human services.

1 3. Any other area any of the 3 departments determines to be relevant to the
2 operation and administration of the hotline.

3 **(3)** The department of justice shall work in conjunction with the departments
4 of health services and public instruction to do all of the following:

5 (a) Develop a source of information on available community mental health
6 resources and contacts, including mental health services.

7 (b) Notify schools and law enforcement of the information source developed
8 under par. (a).

9 (c) Recommend that, if the investigation of a case indicates that mental illness
10 or emotional disturbance is involved, schools and law enforcement use the
11 information source under par. (a) to aid subjects of the investigation and their
12 parents or guardians.

13 **(4)** The entity that operates the hotline under sub. (1) shall maintain any report
14 or information submitted to the hotline for at least one year.

15 **(5)** The department of justice shall annually submit to the appropriate
16 standing committees of the legislature under s. 13.172 (3) a report on the hotline
17 under sub. (1).”.

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