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Legislative Authority

This report is submitted pursuant to 2024 Iowa Acts, chapter 1152 (Senate File 2435):

By January 15, 2025, the department shall submit a written report to the general assembly detailing the department's antibullying programming and current and projected expenditures for such programming for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024.

Anti-bullying Supports

During Fiscal Year 2024 the Department has engaged in the following related activities:

1. Supported the web-based “Bullying/Harassment Prevention and Intervention Foundations” training that is shared through area education agency professional development online (AEA PD Online). This training explains the definition of bullying, offers an overview of cyberbullying and other types of bullying, discusses environmental conditions that lead to bullying, reviews related law and policy and covers the continuous improvement process for anti-bullying measures. In FY 24, 1,740 educators completed this training.
2. Supported bullying-related calls from school districts, parents, caregivers, students and AEAs through the Department’s Bureau of Learner Strategies and Supports, Bureau of School Improvement and the Special Education Call Cadre. There were a total of 113 calls of which 20 were for support of students with disabilities.
3. Supported web-based “Bullying Intake and Investigation” training that is shared through AEA PD Online. During FY 24, 520 educators completed this training.