

House File 144 - Introduced

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act requiring that human growth and development instruction
2 by school boards include age-appropriate information
3 regarding dating violence and prevention.
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 279.50, subsection 2, Code 2019, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 2. Each school board shall provide age-appropriate and
4 research-based instruction in human growth and development
5 including instruction regarding human sexuality~~;~~ self-esteem~~;~~
6 stress management~~;~~ interpersonal relationships~~;~~ dating
7 violence; affirmative, conscious, and voluntary consent
8 to engage in sexual activity; domestic abuse~~;~~ HPV and the
9 availability of a vaccine to prevent HPV~~;~~ and acquired immune
10 deficiency syndrome, as required in [section 256.11](#), in grades
11 one through twelve.

12 EXPLANATION

13 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
14 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

15 This bill provides that the age-appropriate and
16 research-based instruction in human growth and development,
17 which each school board must provide, must include instruction
18 regarding dating violence and affirmative, conscious, and
19 voluntary consent to engage in sexual activity.