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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING STUDENT SUICIDE PREVENTION, AND, IN CONNECTION 102 THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at http://leg.colorado.gov.)

The bill creates the student suicide prevention grant program for schools (grant program) in the department of public health and environment (department) to be administered by the department. The purpose of the grant program is to provide financial assistance to school districts, schools of a school district, including charter schools, and institute charter schools to develop and implement student suicide

prevention policies and training programs. The bill specifies the minimum requirements for the policies and training programs. The department is required to work with the office of suicide prevention in the department and the school safety resource center in the department of public safety in implementing the grant program. The state board of health (state board) is directed to adopt rules to implement the grant program, including criteria that the department must take into consideration in awarding grants.

Each grant recipient is required to submit information concerning the use of the grant money to the department, and the department is required to submit an annual report concerning implementation of the grant program to the state board and to the health and human services committee of the senate and the public health care and human services committee of the house of representatives. The department is required to post on its website available evidence-based best practices and other resources for persons involved in student suicide prevention.

The grant program is funded by money appropriated from the school safety resource center cash fund.

The bill authorizes the existing office of suicide prevention in statute.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

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SECTION 1. Legislative declaration. (1) The general assembly finds and declares that:

- (a) A recent report from the National Center for Health Statistics found that the suicide rate among youth between the ages of fifteen and nineteen who live in rural counties is nearly double the suicide rate among the same age group who live in larger, more urban counties;
- (b) Suicide is the leading cause of death for young people in Colorado;
- (c) The recommendations of the Colorado suicide prevention commission for youth include supporting schools in implementing comprehensive protocols, including training all staff, and providing evidence-based programming focused on enhancing protective factors for youth; and

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(d) A 2012 report of the U.S. surgeon general and the National Action Alliance for Suicide Prevention included as one of the objectives of effective suicide prevention educating family members, friends, teachers, coaches, and others to increase knowledge of the warning signs of suicidal thoughts and behaviors and understanding of how to connect individuals in crisis with assistance. The report found that schools in particular should ensure that students have access to mental health and counseling services and must train relevant school staff to recognize warning signs of suicidal behavior.

(2) The general assembly therefore declares that youth suicide prevention is a matter of statewide concern, and it is in the best interests of the youth of the state of Colorado to strongly encourage all school districts and charter schools to work with the office of suicide prevention in the department of public health and environment, the school safety resource center in the department of public safety, the department of education, and other community organizations to develop and adopt comprehensive suicide prevention policies tailored for individual districts and schools, including recommended suicide prevention training programs.

SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 25-1.5-113 as follows:

25-1.5-113. Student suicide prevention grant program for schools - creation - process - rules - reporting requirements - definitions. (1) As used in this section, unless the context otherwise requires:

(a) "DEPARTMENT" MEANS THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
AND ENVIRONMENT CREATED AND EXISTING PURSUANT TO SECTION

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1	25-1-102.
2	(b) "Grant program" means the student suicide prevention
3	GRANT PROGRAM FOR SCHOOLS CREATED IN SUBSECTION (2) OF THIS
4	SECTION.
5	(c) "Office of suicide prevention" means the office of
6	SUICIDE PREVENTION IN THE DEPARTMENT, ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO
7	SECTION 25-1.5-101 (1)(w).
8	(d) "PUBLIC SCHOOL" MEANS A SCHOOL OF A SCHOOL DISTRICT,
9	INCLUDING A CHARTER SCHOOL AUTHORIZED BY THE SCHOOL DISTRICT
10	PURSUANT TO PART 1 OF ARTICLE 30.5 OF TITLE 22; AN INSTITUTE
11	CHARTER SCHOOL AUTHORIZED PURSUANT TO 5 OF ARTICLE 30.5 OF TITLE
12	22; OR A SCHOOL OPERATED BY A BOARD OF COOPERATIVE SERVICES, AS
13	DEFINED IN SECTION 22-5-103.
14	(e) "SCHOOL DISTRICT" MEANS A SCHOOL DISTRICT CREATED AND
15	EXISTING PURSUANT TO LAW, BUT DOES NOT INCLUDE A LOCAL COLLEGE
16	DISTRICT.
17	(f) "SCHOOL SAFETY RESOURCE CENTER" MEANS THE SCHOOL
18	SAFETY RESOURCE CENTER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY,
19	ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-33.5-1803.
20	(g) "STATE BOARD" MEANS THE STATE BOARD OF HEALTH
21	CREATED PURSUANT TO SECTION 25-1-103.
22	(2) (a) There is created in the department the student
23	SUICIDE PREVENTION GRANT PROGRAM FOR SCHOOLS. THE PURPOSE OF
24	THE GRANT PROGRAM IS TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO SCHOOL
25	DISTRICTS AND PUBLIC SCHOOLS TO USE IN DEVELOPING AND

IMPLEMENTING STUDENT SUICIDE PREVENTION POLICIES AND TRAINING

PROGRAMS AS DESCRIBED IN THIS SECTION. SUBJECT TO AVAILABLE

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1	APPROPRIATIONS, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL AWARD GRANTS RANGING
2	FROM A MINIMUM OF FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS TO A MAXIMUM OF TEN
3	THOUSAND DOLLARS.
4	(b) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ADMINISTER THE GRANT PROGRAM IN
5	CONSULTATION WITH THE OFFICE OF SUICIDE PREVENTION AND THE
6	SCHOOL SAFETY RESOURCE CENTER. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ACCEPT AND
7	REVIEW APPLICATIONS FOR GRANTS FROM SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND PUBLIC
8	SCHOOLS AND AWARD GRANTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CRITERIA AND
9	GUIDELINES ESTABLISHED BY RULE OF THE STATE BOARD PURSUANT TO
10	SUBSECTION (5) OF THIS SECTION.
11	(3) (a) EACH APPLICATION MUST INCLUDE A DESCRIPTION OF THE
12	STUDENT SUICIDE PREVENTION POLICY THAT THE APPLICANT INTENDS TO
13	DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT USING THE GRANT MONEY. TO QUALIFY FOR A
14	GRANT, A PROPOSED STUDENT SUICIDE PREVENTION POLICY MUST, AT A
15	MINIMUM, INCLUDE:
16	(I) IMPLEMENTATION OF AN EVIDENCE-BASED SUICIDE PREVENTION
17	TRAINING PROGRAM FOR ALL STAFF WITHIN A PUBLIC SCHOOL WHO HAVE
18	CONTACT WITH STUDENTS. AT A MINIMUM, THE TRAINING MUST INCLUDE:
19	(A) IDENTIFYING STUDENTS AND ADULTS WHO ARE EXHIBITING
20	BEHAVIORS OR OTHER INDICATORS THAT SUGGEST THE STUDENT OR ADULT
21	MAY BE A DANGER TO SELF OR OTHERS; AND
22	(B) TEACHING PRACTICES FOR REFERRING INDIVIDUALS IDENTIFIED
23	AS BEING AT RISK OF SUICIDE FOR APPROPRIATE TREATMENT AND
24	ASSISTANCE;
25	(II) STUDENT TRAINING IN EFFECTIVE PRACTICES TO INCREASE
26	PROTECTIVE FACTORS, SUCH AS PROBLEM-SOLVING SKILLS, SOCIAL
27	SUPPORT AND SOCIAL CONNECTEDNESS, RESILIENCY, SELF-AWARENESS,

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1	AND POSITIVE MENTAL AND EMOTIONAL HEALTH; AND
2	(III) PARENT EDUCATION ABOUT SUICIDE PREVENTION.
3	(b) EACH APPLICATION MUST ALSO INCLUDE:
4	(I) DATA CONCERNING THE ADULT AND YOUTH SUICIDE RATE
5	WITHIN THE COMMUNITY IN WHICH THE APPLYING SCHOOL DISTRICT OR
6	PUBLIC SCHOOL IS LOCATED FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS PRECEDING THE
7	DATE OF THE APPLICATION;
8	(II) AN ACCOUNTING OF ANY OTHER FINANCIAL OR COMMUNITY
9	RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO THE APPLICANT TO DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT
10	A STUDENT SUICIDE PREVENTION POLICY; AND
11	(III) ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REQUIRED BY RULE OF THE
12	STATE BOARD.
13	(4) (a) EACH SCHOOL DISTRICT AND PUBLIC SCHOOL THAT APPLIES
14	FOR A GRANT MAY SELECT THE TYPE OF SUICIDE PREVENTION TRAINING
15	THAT BEST SUITS ITS NEEDS BUT IS ENCOURAGED TO USE CURRICULA AND
16	PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT MATERIALS, TRAINING, AND OTHER
17	RESOURCES AVAILABLE FROM THE OFFICE OF SUICIDE PREVENTION, THE
18	SCHOOL SAFETY RESOURCE CENTER, AND THE COLORADO PARENT AND
19	TEACHER ASSOCIATION. THE OFFICE OF SUICIDE PREVENTION AND THE
20	SCHOOL SAFETY RESOURCE CENTER SHALL WORK COLLABORATIVELY WITH
21	AN INDIVIDUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT OR PUBLIC SCHOOL, AT THE DISTRICT'S
22	OR SCHOOL'S REQUEST, TO PROVIDE VARIOUS EXISTING EVIDENCE-BASED
23	AND EVIDENCE-INFORMED PROGRAMS, AS WELL AS USE EXISTING
24	PROGRAMS AND ORGANIZATIONS IN THE COMMUNITY THAT CAN HELP
25	PROVIDE SUICIDE PREVENTION SERVICES.
26	(b) A GRANT RECIPIENT SHALL USE GRANT MONEY TO SUPPLEMENT
27	AND NOT SUPPLANT ANY MONEY CURRENTLY BEING USED BY THE GRANT

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1	RECIPIENT TO REDUCE SUICIDES IN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OR PUBLIC
2	SCHOOL.
3	(5) (a) On or before November 1, 2018, the state board
4	SHALL PROMULGATE RULES TO ADMINISTER THE GRANT PROGRAM,
5	INCLUDING:
6	(I) APPLICATION PROCEDURES BY WHICH SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND
7	PUBLIC SCHOOLS MAY APPLY FOR A GRANT PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION;
8	(II) THE APPLICATION CONTENTS IN ADDITION TO THOSE SPECIFIED
9	IN SUBSECTION (3) OF THIS SECTION; AND
10	(III) CRITERIA THAT THE DEPARTMENT SHALL USE IN SELECTING
11	SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND PUBLIC SCHOOLS TO RECEIVE GRANTS AND IN
12	DETERMINING THE AMOUNT OF GRANT MONEY TO BE AWARDED TO EACH
13	GRANT RECIPIENT. THE CRITERIA, AT A MINIMUM, MUST INCLUDE
14	CONSIDERATION OF:
15	(A) THE ADULT AND YOUTH SUICIDE RATE WITHIN THE
16	COMMUNITY IN WHICH THE APPLYING SCHOOL DISTRICT OR PUBLIC SCHOOL
17	IS LOCATED FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS PRECEDING THE DATE OF THE
18	APPLICATION;
19	(B) THE RATIO OF SCHOOL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS TO THE
20	SCHOOL DISTRICT'S OR PUBLIC SCHOOL'S STUDENT ENROLLMENT; AND
21	(C) ANY OTHER FINANCIAL OR COMMUNITY RESOURCES
22	AVAILABLE TO THE APPLICANT TO ASSIST IN DEVELOPING AND
23	IMPLEMENTING A STUDENT SUICIDE PREVENTION POLICY.
24	(b) In promulgating rules concerning the application
25	CONTENTS AND THE PROCEDURE FOR APPLYING FOR A GRANT, THE STATE
26	BOARD SHALL, TO THE EXTENT FEASIBLE, ENSURE THAT THE APPLICATION
27	AND THE PROCEDURES ARE STREAMLINED AND SIMPLE

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1	(6) For the 2018-19 fiscal year, the general assembly
2	SHALL APPROPRIATE MONEY TO THE DEPARTMENT FROM THE SCHOOL
3	SAFETY RESOURCE CENTER CASH FUND, CREATED IN SECTION
4	24-33.5-1807, TO IMPLEMENT THE GRANT PROGRAM. THE DEPARTMENT
5	MAY EXPEND UP TO TEN PERCENT OF THE AMOUNT APPROPRIATED TO
6	OFFSET THE DIRECT COSTS INCURRED BY THE DEPARTMENT IN
7	IMPLEMENTING THE GRANT PROGRAM. ANY UNEXPENDED AND
8	UNENCUMBERED MONEY FROM THE APPROPRIATION MADE FOR THE
9	PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION REMAINS AVAILABLE FOR EXPENDITURE BY THE
10	DEPARTMENT FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION IN THE NEXT FISCAL
11	YEAR WITHOUT FURTHER APPROPRIATION.
12	(7) EACH GRANT RECIPIENT SHALL SUBMIT A WRITTEN REPORT TO
13	THE DEPARTMENT NOT LATER THAN SIX MONTHS AFTER THE EXPIRATION
14	OF THE TERM OF ITS GRANT. THE REPORT MUST INCLUDE A SUMMARY OF
15	ACTIVITIES MADE POSSIBLE BY THE GRANT MONEY AND ANY OTHER

ACTIVITIES MADE POSSIBLE BY THE GRANT MONEY AND ANY OTHER INFORMATION REQUESTED BY THE DEPARTMENT TO COMPLETE THE REPORT DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (8) OF THIS SECTION.

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- (8) NOTWITHSTANDING SECTION 24-1-136 (11)(a)(I), ON OR BEFORE A DATE SPECIFIED BY RULE OF THE STATE BOARD PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (5) OF THIS SECTION, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL SUBMIT ANNUALLY TO THE STATE BOARD AND TO THE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE OF THE SENATE AND THE PUBLIC HEALTH CARE AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, OR ANY SUCCESSOR COMMITTEES, THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION REGARDING THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE GRANT PROGRAM IN THE PRECEDING YEAR:
- (a) THE NUMBER OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND PUBLIC SCHOOLS THAT RECEIVED A GRANT FROM THE GRANT PROGRAM;

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1	(b) THE AMOUNT OF EACH GRANT AWARD BY RECIPIENT;
2	(c) The number of students who are enrolled at each
3	SCHOOL DISTRICT OR PUBLIC SCHOOL THAT RECEIVED A GRANT;
4	(d) THE NUMBER OF STUDENT SUICIDE PREVENTION POLICIES THAT
5	WERE DEVELOPED AND ADOPTED BY GRANT RECIPIENTS;
6	(e) THE NUMBER OF SCHOOL PERSONNEL, STUDENTS, AND PARENTS
7	TRAINED AND THROUGH WHAT PROGRAM OR METHOD; AND
8	(f) THE NUMBER AND TYPE OF STUDENT SUICIDE PREVENTION
9	TRAINING PROGRAMS IMPLEMENTED BY GRANT RECIPIENTS.
10	(9) On or before November 1, 2018, the department shall
11	CREATE A PAGE ON ITS WEBSITE TO POST AVAILABLE EVIDENCE-BASED
12	BEST PRACTICES AND OTHER RESOURCES FOR EDUCATORS AND OTHER
13	PROFESSIONALS ENGAGED IN STUDENT SUICIDE PREVENTION. THE
14	DEPARTMENT SHALL SOLICIT EVIDENCE-BASED BEST PRACTICES AND
15	OTHER RESOURCES FROM THE SCHOOL SAFETY RESOURCE CENTER AND
16	FROM THE OFFICE OF SUICIDE PREVENTION.
17	SECTION 3. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 25-1.5-101, amend
18	(1)(w)(I), (1)(w)(II), (1)(w)(III)(A), and $(1)(w)(IV)$ introductory portion
19	as follows:
20	25-1.5-101. Powers and duties of department - laboratory cash
21	fund. (1) The department has, in addition to all other powers and duties
22	imposed upon it by law, the powers and duties provided in this section as
23	follows:
24	(w) (I) To act operate the office of suicide prevention,
25	WHICH IS HEREBY ESTABLISHED IN THE DIVISION OF PREVENTION SERVICES
26	IN THE DEPARTMENT, THAT SERVES as the coordinator for suicide
27	prevention programs throughout the state, including the Colorado suicide

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prevention plan established in section 25-1.5-112;

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2 (II) The department is authorized to accept gifts, grants, and 3 donations to assist it in performing its duties as the coordinator for suicide 4 prevention programs ON BEHALF OF THE OFFICE OF SUICIDE PREVENTION. 5 THE DEPARTMENT SHALL TRANSMIT all such gifts, grants, and donations 6 shall be transmitted to the state treasurer who shall credit the same to the 7 suicide prevention coordination cash fund, which fund is hereby created. 8 The fund also consists of any money appropriated or transferred to the 9 fund by the general assembly for the purposes of implementing section 10 25-1.5-112. Any moneys MONEY remaining in the suicide prevention 11 coordination cash fund at the end of any fiscal year shall MUST remain in 12 the fund and shall MUST not be transferred or credited to the general fund. 13 The general assembly shall make appropriations from the suicide 14 prevention coordination cash fund for expenditures incurred by the 15 department OR THE OFFICE OF SUICIDE PREVENTION in the performance of 16 its duties under this paragraph (w) PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION (1)(w) 17 and section 25-1.5-112. 18 (III) (A) Notwithstanding section 24-1-136 (11)(a)(I), as part of 19 its THE duties as coordinator for suicide prevention programs OF THE 20 OFFICE OF SUICIDE PREVENTION, on or before each November 1, the 21 department OFFICE OF SUICIDE PREVENTION shall submit to the chairs of 22 the senate health and human services committee and the house of 23 representatives health, insurance, and environment committee, or their

acting as the coordinator for suicide prevention programs. For the report

successor committees, and to the members of the joint budget committee,

a report listing all suicide prevention programs in the state and describing

the effectiveness of the department OFFICE OF SUICIDE PREVENTION IN

submitted in 2013 and each year thereafter, the department OFFICE OF SUICIDE PREVENTION shall include any findings and recommendations it has to improve suicide prevention in the state.

(IV) In its role as coordinator for suicide prevention programs,

The department AND THE OFFICE OF SHICIDE PREVENTION may collaborate

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The department AND THE OFFICE OF SUICIDE PREVENTION may collaborate with each facility licensed or certified pursuant to section 25-1.5-103 in order to coordinate suicide prevention services, including relevant training and other services as part of the Colorado suicide prevention plan established in section 25-1.5-112. When a facility treats a person who has attempted suicide or exhibits a suicidal gesture, the facility may provide oral and written information or educational materials to the person or, in the case of a minor, to parents, relatives, or other responsible persons to whom the minor will be released, prior to the person's release, regarding warning signs of depression, risk factors of suicide, methods of preventing suicide, available suicide prevention resources, and any other information concerning suicide awareness and prevention. THE DEPARTMENT AND THE OFFICE OF SUICIDE PREVENTION MAY WORK WITH FAMILIES, SCHOOL DISTRICTS, AND SCHOOLS TO HELP YOUTH WHO HAVE BEEN TREATED FOR AN ATTEMPTED SUICIDE OR WHO HAVE EXHIBITED A SUICIDAL GESTURE TO TRANSITION BACK INTO SCHOOL. The department AND THE OFFICE OF SUICIDE PREVENTION may work with facilities and the Colorado suicide prevention plan to determine whether and where gaps exist in suicide prevention programs and services, including gaps that may be present in:

SECTION 4. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-33.5-1803, amend (3)(1) and (3)(m); and add (3)(n) as follows:

24-33.5-1803. School safety resource center - created - duties

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1	rangel (2) The center has the following duties:
1	- repeal. (3) The center has the following duties:
2	(l) To provide materials and training as described in section
3	24-33.5-1809 to personnel in school districts and charter schools, parents,
4	and students regarding the awareness and prevention of child sexual
5	abuse and assault; and
6	(m) By June 1, 2018, to make available a model program that
7	conforms with section 22-1-128, regarding the risks and consequences of
8	sexting for school districts to use, which curriculum must include
9	information informing students of the provisions of section 18-7-109,
10	including that, if a student receives a sexually explicit image in violation
11	of section 18-7-109, the student can avoid adjudication as a juvenile
12	delinquent by taking reasonable steps to either destroy or delete or report
13	the initial viewing of the image within seventy-two hours after receiving
14	the image; AND
15	$(n)(I)\ \text{To consult with school districts, schools, charter}$
16	SCHOOLS, AND INSTITUTE CHARTER SCHOOLS CONCERNING
17	EVIDENCE-BASED BEST PRACTICES FOR A TIERED APPROACH TO SUICIDE
18	PREVENTION THROUGH ENHANCING LIFE SKILLS IN STUDENTS AND TO
19	WORK WITH SCHOOL DISTRICTS, SCHOOLS, CHARTER SCHOOLS, AND
20	INSTITUTE CHARTER SCHOOLS TO DEVELOP ORGANIZATION-SPECIFIC
21	STUDENT SUICIDE PREVENTION POLICIES; AND
22	(II) TO CONSULT WITH THE OFFICE OF SUICIDE PREVENTION IN THE
23	DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT CONCERNING ITS
24	ADMINISTRATION OF THE STUDENT SUICIDE PREVENTION GRANT PROGRAM
25	FOR SCHOOLS, CREATED IN SECTION 25-1.5-113.
26	SECTION 5. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-33.5-1807, add

(6) as follows:

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1	24-33.5-1807. School safety resource center cash fund.
2	(6) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY PROVISION OF THIS SECTION TO THE
3	CONTRARY, FOR THE 2018-19 FISCAL YEAR, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
4	SHALL APPROPRIATE FOUR HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS FROM THE FUND
5	TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT TO
6	IMPLEMENT THE STUDENT SUICIDE PREVENTION GRANT PROGRAM CREATED
7	IN SECTION 25-1.5-113.
8	SECTION 6. Appropriation. For the 2018-19 state fiscal year,
9	\$400,000 is appropriated to the department of public health and
10	environment. This appropriation is from the school safety resource center
11	cash fund created in section 24-33.5-1807, C.R.S., and is based on an
12	assumption that the department will require an additional 0.6 FTE. To
13	implement this act, the department may use this appropriation to
14	implement the student suicide prevention grant program for schools
15	created in section 25-1.5-113, C.R.S.
16	SECTION 7. Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds,
17	determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
18	preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.