

By the Committee on Education Pre-K - 12; and Senator Sobel

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1 A bill to be entitled

2 An act relating to mental health education; requiring
3 the Department of Education to provide public school
4 districts with information to maximize grants for
5 mental health education, awareness, and training;
6 requiring the department to post such information on
7 its website and to provide annual electronic
8 notification of such grants to school districts;
9 providing an effective date.

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11 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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13 Section 1. The Department of Education shall provide each
14 public school district with comprehensive information to
15 maximize federal and private grants for mental health education,
16 awareness, and training, or similar programs no later than
17 September 30, 2015, and annually thereafter. The Department of
18 Education shall post this information on the front page of its
19 website and provide annual notification of available grants to
20 school districts electronically. The department shall be
21 available for further assistance upon request. School districts
22 are encouraged to do research and apply for these grants to
23 enhance and improve the well-being of students throughout
24 Florida's public education system.

25 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015.