

SB 507 - AS AMENDED BY THE SENATE

02/05/2026 0378s

2026 SESSION

26-2103

12/09

SENATE BILL **507**

AN ACT establishing a committee to study violence in schools directed at staff members and the obstacles to disciplining or expelling students in such circumstances.

SPONSORS: Sen. Murphy, Dist 16; Sen. Sullivan, Dist 18; Sen. Avard, Dist 12; Sen. Innis, Dist 7; Sen. Pearl, Dist 17

COMMITTEE: Education Finance

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill establishes a committee to study violence in schools directed at staff members and the obstacles to disciplining or expelling students in such circumstances.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
Matter removed from current law appears [~~in brackets and struckthrough.~~]
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty-Six

AN ACT establishing a committee to study violence in schools directed at staff members and the obstacles to disciplining or expelling students in such circumstances.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 1 Committee Established. There is established a committee to study violence in schools directed
2 at staff members and the obstacles to disciplining or expelling students in such circumstances.

3 2 Membership and Compensation.

4 I. The members of the committee shall be as follows:

5 (a) One member of the senate, appointed by the president of the senate.

6 (b) Three members of the house of representatives, appointed by the speaker of the
7 house of representatives.

8 II. Members of the committee shall receive mileage at the legislative rate when attending to
9 the duties of the committee.

10 3 Duties. The committee shall consider state and federal laws relative to violence in schools
11 directed at staff members, mental health concerns affecting students, potential liabilities for school
12 districts, and the emotional and psychological trauma experienced by staff members who are
13 required to continue interacting with their assailants following an incident.

14 4 Chairperson; Quorum. The members of the study committee shall elect a chairperson from
15 among the members. The first meeting of the committee shall be called by the senate member. The
16 first meeting of the committee shall be held within 45 days of the effective date of this section. Three
17 members of the committee shall constitute a quorum.

18 5 Report. The committee shall report its findings and any recommendations for proposed
19 legislation to the president of the senate, the speaker of the house of representatives, the senate
20 clerk, the house clerk, the governor, and the state library on or before November 1, 2026.

21 6 Effective Date. This act shall take effect upon its passage.