

**HB 446 - VERSION ADOPTED BY BOTH BODIES**

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HOUSE BILL            **446**

AN ACT                relative to parental notice for non-academic surveys in public schools.

SPONSORS:            Rep. Litchfield, Rock. 32; Rep. Tenczar, Hills. 1; Rep. DeVito, Rock. 8; Rep. Giasson, Hills. 29; Rep. Popovici-Muller, Rock. 17

COMMITTEE:          Education Policy and Administration

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

The bill requires school districts to email parents copies of non-academic surveys in public schools and removes the exception for the Youth Risk Behavior Survey, requiring parents to opt-in for their children to participate in this survey.

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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Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

*In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty Five*

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

1 1 Duties of State Board of Education; Administration of Non-Academic Surveys. Amend RSA  
2 186:11, IX-d to read as follows:

3 IX-d. Require School Districts to Adopt a Policy Governing the Administration of Non-  
4 academic Surveys or Questionnaires to Students. The policy shall require school districts to notify a  
5 parent or legal guardian of a non-academic survey or questionnaire and its purpose. The policy shall  
6 provide that no student shall be required to volunteer for or submit to a non-academic survey or  
7 questionnaire, as defined in this paragraph, without written consent of a parent or legal guardian  
8 unless the student is an adult or an emancipated minor. ~~[The policy shall include an exception from  
9 the consent requirement for the youth risk behavior survey developed by the Centers for Disease  
10 Control and Prevention. The policy shall also allow a parent or legal guardian to opt out of the youth  
11 risk behavior survey developed by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.]~~ The school  
12 district shall make such surveys or questionnaires available, at the school and on the school or  
13 school district's website, for review by a student's parent or legal guardian, **and shall notify  
14 parents or legal guardians by sending such survey through email and any other means of  
15 delivery the district deems appropriate** at least 10 days prior to distribution to students. In this  
16 paragraph, "non-academic survey or questionnaire" means surveys, questionnaires, or other  
17 documents designed to elicit information about a student's social behavior, family life, religion,  
18 politics, sexual orientation, sexual activity, drug use, or any other information not related to a  
19 student's academics.

20 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect July 1, 2025.