



Sectional Analysis

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Section 1 – Adds a new section AS 14.33.240 "Parental notification" to safety and school discipline statutes. This section authorizes school districts to adopt a plan to notify parents or guardians about incidents of harassment, intimidation, bullying, or suicide threats involving their student. If a district provides such notification, it must also provide suicide prevention and crisis intervention resources and information on limiting access to lethal means, securely storing firearms and medications, and requesting free safe storage devices from the firearm safe storage grant fund.

Section 2 – Adds a new section AS 44.21.070 to establish the "firearm safe storage grant fund" within the general fund. This section directs the Department of Administration to manage the fund and use it to purchase and distribute firearm safe storage devices (such as lock boxes, safes, or cable locks) to school districts at no cost. It specifies that the fund consists of appropriations, grants, and donations, and that money in the fund does not lapse.

Section 3 – Amends AS 44.29.350 by adding a new subsection (b) to the Duties of the Statewide Suicide Prevention Council statute. This section authorizes the council to advise school districts on appropriate materials and reference lists that districts may provide to parents or guardians when notifying them of incidents under AS 14.33.240 (section 1).

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