



Ohio Legislative Service Commission

Bill Analysis

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BILL SUMMARY

- Requires employees and students at state institutions of higher education who work with children to receive training in child abuse prevention every two years.
- Requires state institutions of higher education to provide in-service training on child abuse prevention to all employees and students who work with children.

CONTENT AND OPERATION

The bill requires all state institutions of higher education (state universities and two-year colleges) to provide in-service training in child abuse prevention to all employees and students who, as a part of their employment or coursework, work with children. The in-service must be at least four hours long and include training in the prevention of child abuse, violence, and substance abuse and the promotion of positive youth development. Each institution may adopt or adapt the curriculum developed by the Department of Education for child abuse prevention, or may develop its own curriculum in consultation with public or private agencies or persons involved in child abuse prevention or interventions programs.

Employees of the institution who work with children must complete the training within 30 days of the bill's effective date, or within 30 days after commencing employment with the institution, whichever is later, and every two years thereafter. Students who work with children as a part of their course work or employment must complete the training before beginning the course work or employment, and every two years thereafter as long as the student continues working with children, either through course work or employment. Students already enrolled or employed in a capacity to

work with children on the bill's effective date must take the training within 30 days of that date.¹

Under current law, in-service training in child abuse prevention is required of teachers and certain other elementary and secondary school employees who have contact with students. The training must be at least four hours in duration and repeated every five years.²

HISTORY

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¹ R.C. 3345.37.

² R.C. 3319.073, not in the bill.

