

1 General Assembly, the Department of Education and the
2 Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs in determining
3 whether changes to the program are necessary and whether the
4 program should be continued.

5 (b) Report by Department of Education and Department of Drug
6 and Alcohol Programs.--By December 31, [2019] 2020, the
7 Department of Education and the Department of Drug and Alcohol
8 Programs, jointly, shall submit to the chairperson and minority
9 chairperson of the Education Committee of the Senate, the
10 chairperson and minority chairperson of the Education Committee
11 of the House of Representatives, the chairperson and minority
12 chairperson of the Public Health and Welfare Committee of the
13 Senate and the chairperson and minority chairperson of the
14 Health Committee of the House of Representatives a written
15 report assessing the success of the program and making
16 recommendations regarding the possible extension and expansion
17 of the program, including a proposed timeline for any potential
18 expansion.

19 Section 9. Sections 1517, 1547 and 1549 of the act are
20 amended to read:

21 Section 1517. Fire and Emergency Evacuation Drills.--(a)
22 [In] Except as provided under subsection (a.1), in all [public
23 schools] school buildings of school entities where fire-escapes,
24 appliances for the extinguishment of fires, or proper and
25 sufficient exits in case of fire or panic, either or all, are
26 required by law to be maintained, fire drills shall be
27 periodically conducted, not less than one a month, by the
28 teacher or teachers in charge, under rules and regulations to be
29 promulgated by the [district superintendent] chief school
30 administrator under whose supervision such [schools] school

1 entities are. [In such fire drills the pupils and teachers shall
2 be instructed in, and made thoroughly familiar with, the use of
3 the fire-escapes, appliances and exits. The drill shall include
4 the actual use thereof,] and the complete removal of the pupils
5 and teachers, in an expeditious and orderly manner, by means of
6 fire-escapes and exits, from the building to a place of safety
7 on the ground outside.

8 (a.1) Within ninety (90) days of the commencement of the
9 school year after the effective date of this subsection and
10 within ninety (90) days of the commencement of each school year
11 thereafter, each school entity may conduct one school security
12 drill per school year in each school building in place of a fire
13 drill required under subsection (a). All of the following shall
14 apply:

15 (1) The school security drill may be conducted while the
16 school entity is in session and students are present under
17 policies adopted by the chief school administrator.

18 (2) The chief school administrator or a designee shall
19 oversee the instruction and training of students and school
20 employees in the procedures to be used in the school security
21 drill.

22 (3) The chief school administrator shall notify and request
23 assistance from the local law enforcement agency and emergency
24 management agency before conducting the school security drill.

25 (4) The chief school administrator shall provide notice of
26 the school security drill in advance to parents and legal
27 guardians of the students attending the school building for
28 which the school security drill is scheduled.

29 (b) [District superintendents] Chief school administrators
30 are hereby required to see that the provisions of this section

1 are faithfully carried out in the [schools] school entities over
2 which they have charge.

3 (c) Any person who violates or fails to comply with the
4 provisions of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and
5 on conviction shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than
6 twenty-five dollars (\$25) nor more than five hundred dollars
7 (\$500), or to undergo imprisonment in the county jail for not
8 less than (10) days or more than sixty (60) days, or both.

9 (d) All [schools] school entities using or contracting for
10 school buses for the transportation of school children shall
11 conduct on school grounds two emergency evacuation drills on
12 buses during each school year, the first to be conducted during
13 the first week of the first school term and the second during
14 the month of March, and at such other times as the chief school
15 administrator may require. Each such drill shall include the
16 practice and instruction concerning the location, use and
17 operation of emergency exit doors and fire extinguishers and the
18 proper evacuation of buses in the event of fires or accidents.

19 Bus operators shall be provided with proper training and
20 instructions to enable them to carry out the provisions of this
21 subsection and may be required to attend classes and drills in
22 connection therewith.

23 (e) On or before the tenth day of April of each year, each
24 [district superintendent] chief school administrator shall
25 certify to the Department of [Public Instruction] Education that
26 the emergency evacuation drills and school security drills
27 herein required have been [held] conducted in accordance with
28 this section.

29 (f) As used in this section, the following words and phrases
30 shall have the meanings given to them in this subsection: