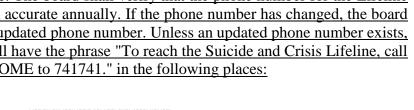
## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA **SESSION 2025**

H 1 **HOUSE BILL 772** 

Short Title:	North Carolina Student Lifeline Act.				
Sponsors:	Representatives Cunningham, Blackwell, Lambeth, and G. Brown (Primary Sponsors).  For a complete list of sponsors, refer to the North Carolina General Assembly web site.				
Referred to:	Education - K-12, if favorable, Health, if favorable, Rules, Cale Operations of the House	ndar, and			
April 7, 2025					

	Operations of the House						
	April 7, 2025						
1			A BILL TO BE ENTITLED				
2			EQUIRE SCHOOLS TO SHARE THE SUICIDE AND CRISIS LIFELINE				
3			IBER IN VARIOUS WAYS.				
4	The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:						
5	<b>SECTION 1.(a)</b> G.S. 115C-47 is amended by adding the following new subdivision						
6	to read:						
7		"(70)	To Provide Students the Suicide and Crisis Lifeline Phone Number. – A local				
8			board of education shall adopt a policy to ensure all schools in the local school				
9			administrative unit provide students the phone number for the Suicide and				
10			Crisis Lifeline. The board shall verify that the phone number for the Lifeline				
11			is current and accurate annually. If the phone number has changed, schools				
12			shall use the updated phone number. Unless an updated phone number exists,				
13			the schools shall have the phrase "To reach the Suicide and Crisis Lifeline,				
14			call 988 or text HOME to 741741." in the following places:				
15			a. On any new student identification (student ID) issued to a student in				
16 17			grades six through 12. The text shall be in a conspicuous location on				
18			the student ID. The text may be printed on the ID or affixed by sticker.				
19			Nothing in this subdivision requires a school to issue a student ID.  b. On the school website.				
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21			d. On any school agenda or calendar, whether digital or printed.				
22			e. On a document during any suicide awareness activity.				
23			<ul> <li>c. On the home screen of any electronic device issued to students.</li> <li>d. On any school agenda or calendar, whether digital or printed.</li> <li>e. On a document during any suicide awareness activity.</li> <li>f. On a document when the student registers to attend the school."</li> </ul>				
24		SECT	<b>ION 1.(b)</b> G.S. 115C-150.12C is amended by adding a new subdivision to				
25	read:	BECI	1011 1.(b) G.S. 113C 130.12C is amended by adding a new subdivision to				
26	roud.	"(37)	To provide students the Suicide and Crisis Lifeline phone number The				
27		(31)	board of trustees shall provide students the phone number for the Suicide and				
28			Crisis Lifeline. The board shall verify that the phone number for the Lifeline				
29			is current and accurate annually. If the phone number has changed, the board				
30			shall use the updated phone number. Unless an updated phone number exists,				
31			the board shall have the phrase "To reach the Suicide and Crisis Lifeline, call				
32			988 or text HOME to 741741." in the following places:				





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2		grades six through 12. The text shall be in a conspicuous location on
3		the student ID. The text may be printed on the ID or affixed by sticker.
4		Nothing in this subdivision requires a school to issue a student ID.
5	<u>b.</u>	On the school website.
6	<u>c.</u>	On the home screen of any electronic device issued to students.
7	<u>b.</u> <u>c.</u> <u>d.</u> <u>e.</u> f.	On any school agenda or calendar, whether digital or printed.
8	<u>e.</u>	On a document during any suicide awareness activity.
9	$\overline{\mathrm{f.}}$	On a document when the student registers to attend the school."
10	SECTION	1.(c) G.S. 115C-218.75 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:
11		e Students the Suicide and Crisis Lifeline Phone Number. – A charter
12		tudents the phone number for the Suicide and Crisis Lifeline. The school
13	-	one number for the Lifeline is current and accurate annually. If the phone
14	•	the school shall use the updated phone number. Unless an updated phone
15		nool shall have the phrase "To reach the Suicide and Crisis Lifeline, call
16		741741." in the following places:
17	<u> </u>	any new student identification (student ID) issued to a student in grades
18		through 12. The text shall be in a conspicuous location on the student ID.
19	·	e text may be printed on the ID or affixed by sticker. Nothing in this
20		section requires a school to issue a student ID.
21	·	the school website.
22		the home screen of any electronic device issued to students.
23		any school agenda or calendar, whether digital or printed.
24		a document during any suicide awareness activity.
25		a document when the student registers to attend the school."
26		<b>1.(d)</b> G.S. 115C-238.66 is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:
27		provide students the Suicide and Crisis Lifeline phone number. – A
28		onal school shall provide students the phone number for the Suicide and
29		sis Lifeline. The school shall verify that the phone number for the Lifeline
30		urrent and accurate annually. If the phone number has changed, the school
31	sha	Il use the updated phone number. Unless an updated phone number exists,
32		school shall have the phrase "To reach the Suicide and Crisis Lifeline, call
33		or text HOME to 741741." in the following places:
34	<u>a.</u>	On any new student identification (student ID) issued to a student in
35	_	grades six through 12. The text shall be in a conspicuous location on
36		the student ID. The text may be printed on the ID or affixed by sticker.
37		Nothing in this subdivision requires a school to issue a student ID.
38	<u>b.</u>	On the school website.
39		On the home screen of any electronic device issued to students.
40	<u>c.</u> <u>d.</u>	On any school agenda or calendar, whether digital or printed.
41	e.	On a document during any suicide awareness activity.
42	<u>e.</u> <u>f.</u>	On a document when the student registers to attend the school."
43		<b>1.(e)</b> G.S. 116-239.8(b) is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:
44	" <u>(26)</u> <u>To</u>	provide students the Suicide and Crisis Lifeline phone number A
45	labo	oratory school shall provide students the phone number for the Suicide and
46	<u>Cris</u>	sis Lifeline. The school shall verify that the phone number for the Lifeline
47	<u>is c</u>	urrent and accurate annually. If the phone number has changed, the school
48	<u>sha</u>	ll use the updated phone number. Unless an updated phone number exists,
49	the	school shall have the phrase "To reach the Suicide and Crisis Lifeline, call
50	988	or text HOME to 741741." in the following places:

**General Assembly Of North Carolina** Session 2025 1 On any new student identification (student ID) issued to a student in a. 2 grades six through 12. The text shall be in a conspicuous location on 3 the student ID. The text may be printed on the ID or affixed by sticker. 4 Nothing in this subdivision requires a school to issue a student ID. 5 On the school website. <u>b.</u> 6 On the home screen of any electronic device issued to students. <u>c.</u> 7 d. On any school agenda or calendar, whether digital or printed. 8 On a document during any suicide awareness activity. <u>e.</u> 9 f. On a document when the student registers to attend the school." 10 **SECTION 1.(f)** Part 4 of Article 39 of Chapter 115C of the General Statutes is 11 amended by adding a new section to read: "§ 115C-566.5. Provide students the Suicide and Crisis Lifeline phone number. 12 13 The board of directors, or equivalent authority, of a school operating pursuant to Part 1 or 14 Part 2 of this Article shall provide students the phone number for the Suicide and Crisis Lifeline. 15 The school shall verify that the phone number for the Lifeline is current and accurate annually. 16 If the phone number has changed, the school shall use the updated phone number. Unless an 17 updated phone number exists, the school shall have the phrase "To reach the Suicide and Crisis <u>Lifeline</u>, call 988 or text HOME to 741741." in the following places: 18 19 On any new student identification (student ID) issued to a student in grades (1) 20 six through 12. The text shall be in a conspicuous location on the student ID. 21 The text may be printed on the ID or affixed by sticker. Nothing in this section 22 requires a school to issue a student ID. 23 On the school website. **(2)** 24 (3) On the home screen of any electronic device issued to students. 25 On any school agenda or calendar, whether digital or printed. (4) 26 (5) On a document during any suicide awareness activity. 27 On a document when the student registers to attend the school." (6) 28 **SECTION 2.** G.S. 115D-5 is amended by adding a new subsection to read: 29 The State Board of Community Colleges shall adopt a policy requiring all community 30 colleges to provide students the phone number for the Suicide and Crisis Lifeline. The State 31 Board shall verify that the phone number for the Lifeline is current and accurate annually. If the 32 phone number has changed, the community colleges shall use the updated phone number. Unless 33 an updated phone number exists, the community colleges shall have the phrase "To reach the 34 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline, call 988 or text HOME to 741741." in the following places: 35 On any new student identification (student ID) issued. The text shall be in a (1) 36 conspicuous location on the student ID. The text may be printed on the ID or 37 affixed by sticker. Nothing in this subsection requires a school to issue a 38 student ID. 39 On the school website. (2) 40 On the home screen of any electronic device issued to students. (3) 41 On any school agenda or calendar, whether digital or printed. (4) 42 (5) On a document during any suicide awareness activity. 43 On a document when the student registers to attend the school." 44 **SECTION 3.** G.S. 116-11 is amended by adding a new subdivision to read: 45 The Board of Governors shall adopt a policy requiring all constituent 46 institutions to provide students the phone number for the Suicide and Crisis

Lifeline. The Board of Governors shall verify that the phone number for the

Lifeline is current and accurate annually. If the phone number has changed,

the constituent institutions shall use the updated phone number. Unless an

updated phone number exists, the constituent institutions shall have the phrase

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1	"To rea	ich the Suicide and Crisis Lifeline, call 988 or text F	HOME to 741741."
2	in the f	ollowing places:	
3	<u>a.</u>	On any new student identification (student ID) iss	ued. The text shall
4		be in a conspicuous location on the student ID. The	text may be printed
5		on the ID or affixed by sticker. Nothing in this sub	division requires a
6		school to issue a student ID.	
7	<u>b.</u>	On the school website.	
8	<u>c.</u>	On the home screen of any electronic device issued	l to students.
9	<u>d.</u>	On any school agenda or calendar, whether digital	or printed.
10	<u>e.</u>	On a document during any suicide awareness activity	ity.
11	<u>f.</u>	On a document when the student registers to attend	the school."
12	<b>SECTION 4.</b>	This act is effective when it becomes law and appl	ies beginning with
13	the 2025-2026 school year	r.	