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A BILL

1 FOR AN ACT relating to schools; to create the position of state
2 school security director within the State Department of
3 Education; and to provide duties for the director and the
4 State Board of Education.
5 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. The position of state school security director
2 is created within the State Department of Education. The Commissioner
3 of Education shall appoint the director based on experience,
4 knowledge, and skills in the field of school security.

5 Sec. 2. The state school security director appointed
6 pursuant to section 1 of this act shall be responsible for assuring a
7 standard of safety and security for the public schools. The director
8 may provide such services to private schools for a fee which shall
9 not exceed the cost of providing such services. Duties of the
10 director include, but are not limited to:

11 (1) Collecting safety and security plans, required
12 pursuant to rules and regulations of the State Department of
13 Education, and other school security information from each school
14 system in Nebraska. For purposes of this section, school system means
15 a public school district or a nonpublic school or group of nonpublic
16 schools. This subdivision does not authorize release of information
17 in violation of sections 84-712 to 84-712.09;

18 (2) Recommending minimum standards for school security on
19 or before January 1, 2015, to the State Board of Education;

20 (3) Conducting an assessment of the security of each
21 public school building, which assessment shall be completed
22 by January 1, 2016;

23 (4) Identifying deficiencies in school security based on
24 the minimum standards adopted by the State Board of Education and
25 making recommendations to school boards for remedying such

1 deficiencies;

2 (5) Establishing security awareness and preparedness
3 training program for public school staff; and

4 (6) Establishing research-based model instructional
5 programs for students and parents to address the underlying causes
6 for violent attacks on schools.

7 Sec. 3. The State Board of Education, based on the
8 recommendations of the school security officer, may adopt and
9 promulgate rules and regulations establishing minimum school security
10 standards on or before July 1, 2015.