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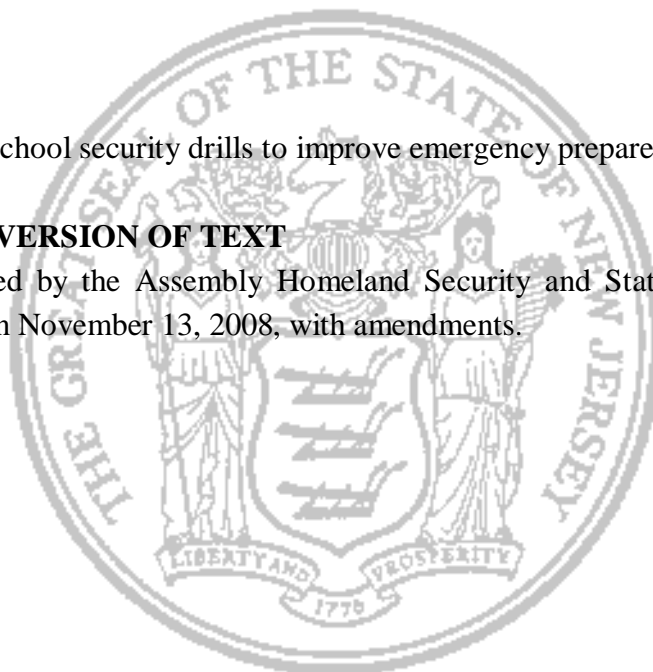
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**SYNOPSIS**

Requires school security drills to improve emergency preparedness.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As reported by the Assembly Homeland Security and State Preparedness  
Committee on November 13, 2008, with amendments.



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1 AN ACT concerning school security drills, supplementing Title 18A  
2 of the New Jersey Statutes and chapter 9 of Appendix A, and  
3 amending N.J.S.18A:41-1.

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5 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State  
6 of New Jersey:

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8 1. (New section) As used in this act:

9 “School security drill” means an exercise, other than a fire drill,  
10 to practice procedures that respond to an emergency situation  
11 including, but not limited to, a non-fire evacuation, lockdown, or  
12 active shooter situation and that is similar in duration to a fire drill.

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14 2. (New section) A local board of education and chief school  
15 administrator of a nonpublic school shall ensure that all <sup>1</sup>**[full time]**  
16 full-time<sup>1</sup> teaching staff members in the district or nonpublic school  
17 are provided with training on school safety and security that  
18 includes instruction on school security drills. The training shall use  
19 the drill guide and training materials prepared pursuant to section 3  
20 of <sup>1</sup>**[P.L. ,c. (C. ) (pending before the legislature as this bill)]**  
21 P.L. , c. (C. ) (pending before the Legislature as this bill)<sup>1</sup>.  
22 Each teaching staff member shall be provided with the training  
23 within one year of the effective date of this act or within 60 days of  
24 the commencement of <sup>1</sup>**[his] that staff member’s**<sup>1</sup> employment,  
25 whichever date is later.

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27 3. (New section) a. The Director of the Office of Homeland  
28 Security and Preparedness shall, in consultation with the  
29 Commissioner of Education, the Director of the Division of Fire  
30 Safety in the Department of Community Affairs, the Director of the  
31 State Office of Emergency Management in the Division of State  
32 Police in the Department of Law and Public Safety, and the  
33 Attorney General, develop and disseminate to each school district  
34 and nonpublic school a building security drill guide and training  
35 materials that educate school employees on proper evacuation and  
36 lockdown procedures in a variety of emergency situations on school  
37 grounds including, but not limited to, bomb threats and active  
38 shooter situations.

39 b. The drill guide and training materials shall be updated at  
40 regular intervals in order to ensure that they incorporate the most  
41 current information available on school security.

**EXPLANATION** – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **[thus]** in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

<sup>1</sup>Assembly AHS committee amendments adopted November 13, 2008.

- 1       4. N.J.S. 18A:41-1 is amended to read as follows:  
2       18A:41-1 Every principal of a school of two or more rooms, or  
3 of a school of one room, when located above the first story of a  
4 building, shall have at least **【two】** one fire **【drills】** drill and one  
5 school security drill each month within the school hours, including  
6 any summer months during which the school is open for  
7 instructional programs, and shall require all teachers of all schools,  
8 whether occupying buildings of one or more stories, to keep all  
9 doors and exits of their respective rooms and buildings unlocked  
10 during the school hours, except during an emergency lockdown or  
11 an emergency lockdown drill. Where school buildings have been  
12 provided with fire escapes, they shall be used by a part or all of the  
13 pupils performing every fire drill.  
14 (cf: P.L.2007, c.205)  
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16       5. This act shall take effect on the first day of the tenth month  
17 after enactment.