

Subject Mental Health
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Overview

This bill requires a district to provide students private space to receive mental health care through telehealth, to the extent space is available. It also expands excused absences to include absences for appointments conducted through telehealth.

Summary

Section	Description
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| 1 | Legitimate exemptions. [Compulsory instruction]
Allows a school board to excuse a student absence for appointments conducted through telehealth. |
| 2 | Access to space for mental health care through telehealth.
Requires a district or charter school, to the extent space is available, to provide secondary school students with access during regular school hours, and outside regular school hours if the site is available to other persons, to space in school that a student can use to receive mental health care through telehealth from a licensed mental health provider. Requires a secondary school to develop a plan with procedures to receive requests for access to space that is protected from intrusion and provides a student privacy to receive mental health care. Requires a school to make the space available beginning October 1, 2024. |