

1 HOUSE BILL 532
2 **57TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2025**
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10 AN ACT

11 RELATING TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS; REQUIRING EACH LOCAL SCHOOL BOARD
12 AND GOVERNING BODY OF A CHARTER SCHOOL TO DEVELOP OR ADOPT
13 GUIDANCE FOR STUDENT WATER SAFETY; REQUIRING THAT WATER SAFETY
14 GUIDANCE BE PROVIDED TO PARENTS OF EACH STUDENT AT THE
15 BEGINNING OF EACH SCHOOL YEAR.

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17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

18 SECTION 1. A new section of the Public School Code is
19 enacted to read:

20 "[NEW MATERIAL] PARENTAL GUIDANCE FOR WATER SAFETY.--

21 A. Each local school board and governing body of a
22 charter school shall develop or adopt digital or written
23 guidance for parents that promotes student safety in, on and
24 around bodies of water and water infrastructure, including
25 information about local options for age-appropriate swimming

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1 lessons and other water safety courses.

2 B. Beginning in the 2025-2026 school year, all
3 public schools shall provide the parents of each student with
4 the guidance developed pursuant to Subsection A of this section
5 upon the student's enrollment at a public school or no later
6 than the tenth school day of a school year. The guidance may
7 be conspicuously incorporated into a district-wide or school-
8 specific handbook published for parents and students; provided
9 that the public school receives written acknowledgment of a
10 parent's receipt of the handbook."

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