



BILL 24: An Act to Support GSAs

2017

Key Points:

- Require all publicly funded schools to create welcoming, caring and respectful policies and make them publicly available.
- Protect the privacy of students that join a GSA
- Ensure principals & school staff help students create a GSA or QSA in a timely manner.

Addressing Myths:

- Bill 24 does *not* prevent school staff from alerting parents if a student is at risk of harm to self or others.
- Legal guardians/parents will always be informed if their child's safety is at risk, but school staff is not required to disclose personal information (such as sexual orientation) to a parent if a student has not given staff permission to do so (FREEDOM OF INFORMATION AND PROTECTION OF PRIVACY ACT, 2015)
- GSAs can continue to share resources, information, and activities with parents so that families may also gain knowledge & supports!

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