

“ **Legislative Requirement: Cyber-bullying and Cyber-harassment**

Act 58 of the 2011 Legislative session made changes to the definitions of harassment, bullying and the ability of schools to discipline students for off-campus misconduct. Act 58 (S.100, miscellaneous education bill) amended the definitions of harassment (16 V.S.A. § 11 (a) (26)(a)(Section 35)), and bullying (16 V.S.A. §11 (a)(32)(Section 36)) to include harassment and bullying ~~by~~ electronic means.+Section 37, 16 V.S.A. § 1162 (a)( 3), added a provision that allows but does not mandate superintendents and principals to suspend or expel students for ~~misconduct~~ misconduct not on school property, on a school bus, or at a school-sponsored activity where the misconduct can be shown to pose a clear and substantial