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TO: Executive County Superintendents
Division of Field Services

ROUTE TO: Chief School Administrators

FROM: Kevin Dehmer, Assistant Commissioner
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SUBJECT: "Alyssa's Law" Input – Securing Our Children's Future Bond Act

"Alyssa's Law"/ ([A764](#)) was recently signed by Governor Murphy and requires all New Jersey public schools to install silent panic alarms that will alert law enforcement during emergencies such as an active shooter.

- At the bottom of this memo is a survey for Chief School Administrators and/or Certified Building Facility Managers and School Safety Specialists regarding current compliance with "Alyssa's Law."

The New Jersey Schools Development Authority has been tasked with funding and managing the installation of these silent panic alarms and as such, in partnership with the New Jersey Department of Education, is conducting this survey to identify school districts that have already installed a panic alarm system that may comply with the law. We need this important information from you in order to develop a scope of work for installation.

We welcome your input and suggestions through this process. If your district has already invested resources and research into systems that work well with your facilities and procedures, we would like to hear more about what you've learned. If you would like to share such information with us, please indicate so in the survey tool and we will reach out to you to discuss.

- A separate survey for the general public will be shared in a special broadcast June 7, 2019. We kindly request your assistance in routing that document to applicable community stakeholders.

Requested Action Steps

1. Review the [Securing Our Children's Future Bond Act Fact Sheet](#).
2. Complete the brief [Stakeholder Outreach Survey](#) regarding current compliance with the new law. Please complete by June 18, 2019.

Questions? Contact: futurebondact@doe.nj.gov

c: Abdulsaleem Hasan, Deputy Assistant Commissioner, Division of Field Services