



# HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SB 1137

schools; CPR instruction.

Prime Sponsor: Senator Dial, LD 18

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## **OVERVIEW**

SB 1137 requires public schools to provide cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) training to high school students by July 1, 2019.

## **PROVISIONS**

1. Requires, rather than permits, public schools to provide one or more CPR training sessions to students in high school by July 1, 2019.
2. Removes the requirement for CPR training be based on the most current training developed by a nationally recognized nonprofit organization.
3. Requires the CPR training to include hands-on practice, except for students enrolled in an Arizona Online Instruction.
4. Allows public schools to assign CPR training as homework to satisfy CPR training requirements if completion of the homework is verified by a teacher or parent.
5. Requires a student with a disability to be excused from CPR training if the student's individualized education program team makes a determination to excuse the student.
6. Permits school districts and charter schools to use any of the following persons to provide CPR training:
  - a. Emergency medical technicians
  - b. Paramedics
  - c. Fire department personnel
  - d. Police officers
  - e. Representatives from the American Heart Association
  - f. Representatives from the American Red Cross
  - g. Teachers
  - h. Other school employees or similarly qualified persons
7. Allows contributions to support CPR training programs to qualify for the Public School Tax Credit.
8. Contains a retroactive effective date of January 1, 2016.
9. Makes technical and conforming changes.

## **CURRENT LAW**

[A.R.S. § 15-718.01](#) allows public schools to provide CPR training to students in grades 7-12. Schools that provide CPR training must use the most current training developed by a nationally recognized nonprofit organization based on the current national evidence-based emergency Fifty-second Legislature As Transmitted to the Governor  
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cardiovascular care guidelines for CPR. CPR training must be instructed by a certified CPR trainer if the instruction results in CPR certification. Public schools that provide CPR training are required to allow students to opt-out if the student has already received CPR training or by a parent's request.

[A.R.S. § 43-1089.01](#) establishes the Public School Tax Credit and allows a taxpayer to receive a dollar for dollar tax credit for donating monies to a public school for standardized testing, career and technical education industry certification assessment, extracurricular activities or character education programs. The Public School Tax Credit allows an individual to receive up to \$200 tax credit, or a married couple filing a joint return to receive up to \$400 credit.