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Introduced by
Representative Willoughby

AN ACT

AMENDING TITLE 15, CHAPTER 1, ARTICLE 1, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY
ADDING SECTION 15-120.05; APPROPRIATING MONIES; RELATING TO EDUCATION.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Title 15, chapter 1, article 1, Arizona Revised
3 Statutes, is amended by adding section 15-120.05, to read:

4 15-120.05. High school sports; automatic external
5 defibrillators; definitions

6 A. NOTWITHSTANDING TITLE 36, CHAPTER 21.1, ARTICLE 3, BEGINNING
7 AUGUST 1, 2025, EACH PUBLIC SCHOOL IN THIS STATE THAT PROVIDES INSTRUCTION
8 TO STUDENTS IN ANY OF GRADES NINE THROUGH TWELVE AND THAT SPONSORS AN
9 ATHLETIC TEAM OR SPORTS PROGRAM SHALL:

10 1. PROVIDE AN AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR AT EACH SCHOOL
11 CAMPUS AND SCHOOL-SPONSORED ATHLETIC EVENT.

12 2. ENSURE THAT EACH AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR PROVIDED
13 PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH 1 OF THIS SUBSECTION IS ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:

14 (a) IN AN UNLOCKED LOCATION THAT IS ACCESSIBLE BOTH:

15 (i) DURING THE SCHOOL DAY.

16 (ii) AT EACH VENUE WHERE ANY SCHOOL-SPONSORED ATHLETIC EVENT,
17 INCLUDING A PRACTICE OR COMPETITION, IS HELD.

18 (b) IN A LOCATION FROM WHICH THE AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR
19 MAY BE PROMPTLY RETRIEVED AND USED AT THE SCHOOL OR ANY SCHOOL-SPONSORED
20 ATHLETIC EVENT.

21 (c) MAINTAINED IN GOOD WORKING ORDER AND TESTED ACCORDING TO THE
22 MANUFACTURER'S GUIDELINES.

23 3. REQUIRE EACH COACH TO COMPLETE A STATE-APPROVED COURSE THAT
24 PROVIDES INSTRUCTION IN CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION, FIRST AID AND THE
25 USE OF AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS AND THAT FOLLOWS NATIONALLY
26 RECOGNIZED EMERGENCY CARDIOVASCULAR CARE GUIDELINES.

27 B. A SCHOOL DISTRICT OR CHARTER SCHOOL MAY ACCEPT GIFTS, GRANTS,
28 DONATIONS AND IN-KIND DONATIONS FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION,
29 INCLUDING TO PURCHASE AND MAINTAIN AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS AND
30 TO PROVIDE THE REQUIRED TRAINING TO SCHOOL EMPLOYEES.

31 C. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION:

32 1. "AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR" HAS THE SAME MEANING
33 PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 36-2261.

34 2. "SCHOOL-SPONSORED ATHLETIC EVENT":

35 (a) MEANS AN EVENT RELATED TO A SPORT OR OTHER ACTIVITY IN WHICH
36 STUDENTS PARTICIPATE AS INDIVIDUALS OR AS MEMBERS OF A TEAM.

37 (b) INCLUDES SCHEDULED PRACTICES, TRAININGS AND COMPETITIONS.

38 3. "TRAINING" HAS THE SAME MEANING PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 36-2261.

39 Sec. 2. Appropriation; department of education

40 A. The sum of \$_____ is appropriated from the state general fund
41 in fiscal year 2025-2026 to the department of education for implementing
42 section 15-120.05, Arizona Revised Statutes, as added by this act.

43 B. The department shall distribute monies appropriated pursuant to
44 subsection A of this section to schools in which fifty percent or more of

1 the students are eligible for free or reduced-price lunches for any of the
2 following:

3 1. Purchasing and maintaining automated external defibrillators as
4 defined by section 36-2261, Arizona Revised Statutes.

5 2. Purchasing cardiopulmonary resuscitation training kits.

6 3. Providing the state-approved course for coaches required under
7 section 15-120.05, subsection A, paragraph 3, Arizona Revised Statutes, as
8 added by this act.

9 4. Purchasing other goods and services identified by the department
10 of education that are necessary for implementing section 15-120.05,
11 Arizona Revised Statutes, as added by this act.