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training; AEDs; CPR; school personnel

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HOUSE BILL 4043

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 15-120.07, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

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

2 Section 1. Section 15-120.07, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended
3 to read:

4 15-120.07. School employee training; high school sports;
5 automatic external defibrillators; definitions

6 A. BEGINNING AUGUST 1, 2027, EACH SCHOOL DISTRICT AND CHARTER
7 SCHOOL IN THIS STATE SHALL ENSURE THAT THERE IS AT LEAST ONE EMPLOYEE AT
8 EACH SCHOOL CAMPUS DURING REGULAR SCHOOL HOURS WHO HAS SUCCESSFULLY
9 COMPLETED THE FOLLOWING:

10 1. A TRAINING COURSE IN CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION AND FIRST AID
11 THAT FOLLOWS NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED CARDIOVASCULAR CARE GUIDELINES.

12 2. IF THERE IS AT LEAST ONE AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR AT THE
13 SCHOOL CAMPUS, A TRAINING COURSE IN THE USE OF AUTOMATED EXTERNAL
14 DEFIBRILLATORS THAT FOLLOWS NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED CARDIOVASCULAR CARE
15 GUIDELINES.

16 ~~A.~~ B. Notwithstanding title 36, chapter 21.1, article 3, beginning
17 August 1, 2026, each public school in this state that provides instruction
18 to students in any of grades nine through twelve and that sponsors an
19 athletic team or sports program shall:

20 1. Provide an automated external defibrillator at each school
21 campus and school-sponsored athletic event.

22 2. Ensure that each automated external defibrillator that is
23 provided pursuant to paragraph 1 of this subsection is all of the
24 following:

25 (a) In an unlocked location that is clearly marked and easily
26 accessible both during the school day and at each school-sponsored
27 athletic event.

28 (b) In a location from which the automated external defibrillator
29 may be promptly retrieved and used at the school or school-sponsored
30 athletic event.

31 (c) In a location that complies with guidelines that are
32 established by a nationally recognized organization that is focused on
33 emergency cardiovascular care.

34 (d) Maintained in good working order and tested according to the
35 manufacturer's guidelines.

36 ~~B.~~ C. A school district or charter school may accept gifts,
37 grants, donations and in-kind donations for the purposes of this section,
38 including to purchase and maintain automated external defibrillators.

39 ~~C.~~ D. For the purposes of this section:

40 1. "Automated external defibrillator" has the same meaning
41 prescribed in section 36-2261.

42 2. "School-sponsored athletic event":

43 (a) Means an event that takes place on a school campus and that is
44 related to a sport or other athletic activity in which students
45 participate as individuals or as members of a team.

46 (b) Includes scheduled practices, trainings and competitions.