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**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 59‑32‑20, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE REQUIREMENT THAT THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION SELECT OR DEVELOP INSTRUCTIONAL UNITS IN COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH EDUCATION FOR USE BY SCHOOL DISTRICTS, SO AS TO REQUIRE THE BOARD TO ALSO SELECT OR DEVELOP INSTRUCTIONAL UNITS IN SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT AWARENESS AND PREVENTION, WITH SEPARATE UNITS APPROPRIATE FOR EACH AGE LEVEL FROM FOUR‑YEAR OLD KINDERGARTEN THROUGH TWELFTH GRADE; AND TO AMEND SECTION 59‑32‑30, RELATING TO THE REQUIREMENT THAT LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS IMPLEMENT THE COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH EDUCATION PROGRAM, AMONG OTHER THINGS, SO AS TO REQUIRE THE DISTRICTS TO PROVIDE AGE‑APPROPRIATE INSTRUCTION IN SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT AWARENESS AND PREVENTION AS PART OF THIS PROGRAM.

Amend Title To Conform

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

SECTION 1. Section 59‑32‑20 of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

“Section 59‑32‑20. (A) Before August 1, 1988, the board, through the department, shall select or develop an instructional unit with separate components addressing the subjects of reproductive health education, family life education, pregnancy prevention education, and sexually transmitted diseases and make the instructional unit available to local school districts. The board, through the department, also shall make available information about other programs developed by other states upon request of a local school district.

(B) In addition to the provisions of subsection (A), before September 1, 2014, the board, through the department, shall select or develop instructional units in sexual abuse and assault awareness and prevention, with separate units appropriate for each age level from four‑year old kindergarten through twelfth grade.”

SECTION 2. Section 59‑32‑30 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding an appropriately lettered subsection at the end to read:

“( ) Beginning with the 2014‑2015 school year, districts annually shall provide age‑appropriate instruction in sexual abuse and assault awareness and prevention to all students in four‑year old kindergarten, where offered, through twelfth grade. This instruction must be based on the units developed by the board, through the department, in Section 59‑32‑20(B).”

SECTION 3. Section 59‑32‑30(A) of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

“(7) Beginning with the 2016‑2017 school year, at least one time during the four years of grades nine through twelve each student must receive instruction in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), which must include, but not be limited to, hands‑only CPR and the use of an automated external defibrillator (AED). Each school district shall use a program that incorporates the instruction of the psychomotor skills necessary to perform CPR developed by the American Heart Association, American Red Cross, or an instructional program that is nationally recognized and based on the most current national evidence‑based Emergency Cardiovascular Care guidelines for CPR and the use of an AED. It is the desire of the General Assembly that local school districts coordinate with entities that have the experience and necessary equipment for the instruction of CPR and the use of AED’s so the districts will not have to purchase CPR or AED training devices. If a school district is prepared to offer the instruction prior to the 2016‑2017 school year, the General Assembly further desires CPR and AED training begin as soon as possible. A school district must adopt a policy providing a waiver for this requirement for a student absent on the day the instruction occurred, a student with a disability whose individualized education program indicates such student is unable to complete all or a portion of the hands‑only CPR requirement, or a student whose parent or guardian completes, in writing, a form approved by the school district opting‑out of hands‑only CPR and AED instruction. The State Board of Education shall incorporate CPR and AED instruction into the South Carolina Health and Safety Education Curriculum Standards and promulgate regulations to implement this section.”

SECTION 4. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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