CHAPTER 2021-141

Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 157

An act relating to first aid training in public schools; amending s. 1003.453, F.S.; revising the grade levels that school districts are encouraged to provide certain first aid training; requiring school districts to provide certain first aid to specified grade levels; providing requirements for such training; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Subsection (3) of section 1003.453, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1003.453 School wellness and physical education policies; nutrition guidelines.—

(3) School districts are encouraged to provide basic training in first aid, including cardiopulmonary resuscitation, for all students, beginning in grade 6 and grade 8 every 2 years thereafter. School districts are required to provide basic training in first aid, including cardiopulmonary resuscitation, for all students in grade 9 and grade 11. Instruction in the use of cardiopulmonary resuscitation must be based on a one-hour, nationally recognized program that uses the most current evidence-based emergency cardiovascular care guidelines. The instruction must allow students to practice the psychomotor skills associated with performing cardiopulmonary resuscitation and use an automated external defibrillator when a school district has the equipment necessary to perform the instruction. Private and public partnerships for providing training or necessary funding are encouraged.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2021.

Approved by the Governor June 21, 2021.

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