
 DIGEST

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SB 12 Reengrossed

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Present law requires each institution of higher education that competes in intercollegiate athletics to have an automated external defibrillator (AED) on its premises in its athletic department.

Present law requires AEDs, if funding is available, to be on the premises of each high school. Further requires the Louisiana Department of Health to promulgate rules and regulations.

Proposed law requires each postsecondary education institution, elementary, middle, and high school to have an AED on its premises in an easily accessible location.

Proposed law requires that an AED and a trained AED user who is also trained in first-aid CPR be at each athletic event sponsored by a postsecondary institution and elementary, middle, or high school.

Proposed law requires each postsecondary education institution, elementary, middle, and high school to have a "cardiac emergency response plan". Proposed law further requires each president or chancellor of a postsecondary education institution and the principal of each elementary, middle, and high school to prepare the plan jointly with local emergency responders.

Proposed law provides that rules and regulations be developed to ensure periodic testing and maintenance of each AED to ensure the AED is kept in working order and to prescribe appropriate training for persons designated to use and maintain an AED.

Proposed law creates the Jump Start Your Heart Fund to provide for the purchase of AEDs for use at postsecondary, high, middle, and elementary schools in the state.

Proposed law requires implementation in the first school year that begins at least twelve months after the effective date of proposed law.

Effective upon appropriation of monies by the legislature for the implementation of proposed law.

(Amends R.S. 40:1137.3(E) and (F); adds R.S. 40:1137.3(G))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Education to the original bill

1. Adds that a trainer must be trained in first-aid CPR.
2. Provides for each postsecondary education institution, elementary, middle, and high school to have a "cardiac emergency response plan".
3. Provides for each postsecondary education institution, elementary, middle, and high school to have implemented the provisions of proposed law beginning with the 2024-2025 school year.
4. Names the bill the "Jump Start Your Heart Act".

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Finance to the engrossed bill

1. Creates the Jump Start Your Heart Fund as a special fund in the state treasury. Any monies appropriated, allocated, donated, or transferred to the fund shall be deposited by the state treasurer.
2. Monies in the fund shall be utilized to purchase AEDs for use at postsecondary, high, middle, and elementary schools in the state.
3. This Act shall be subject to an appropriation of funds by the Legislature.

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Appropriations to the reengrossed bill:

1. Make effectiveness of proposed law subject to appropriation of monies by the legislature for the implementation of proposed law.
2. Provide for proposed law to be implemented in the first school year that starts at least twelve months after the effectiveness of proposed law.