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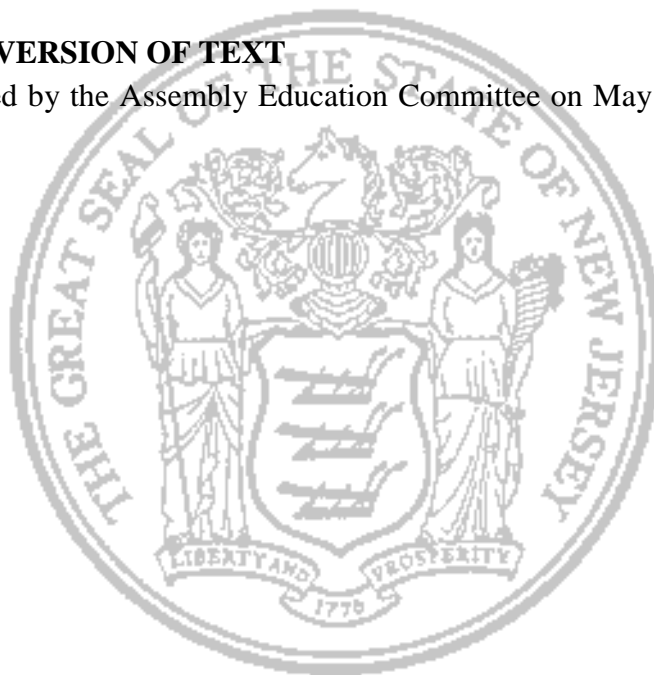
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SYNOPSIS

Requires local recreation departments, youth serving organizations, and camps to have defibrillators for youth athletic events.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Assembly Education Committee on May 11, 2015, with amendments.



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1 AN ACT concerning automated external defibrillators and cardio-
 2 pulmonary resuscitation ¹**[,]**¹ and supplementing ¹**[Title 18A of**
 3 **the New Jersey Statutes and]**¹ Titles 5 and 26 of the Revised
 4 Statutes.

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 6 **BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
 7 *of New Jersey:*

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 9 ¹**[1. Notwithstanding the provisions of any law, rule, or**
 10 **regulation to the contrary, beginning on September 1, 2014, the**
 11 **board of education of a public school district that includes any of**
 12 **the grades 6 through 12 shall:**

13 a. provide instruction in cardio-pulmonary resuscitation as part
 14 of the curriculum each year for grades 6 through 12; and

15 b. provide instruction in the use of an automated external
 16 defibrillator as part of the curriculum each year for grades 9 through
 17 12.]¹

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 19 ¹**[2. The State Board of Education, in consultation with the**
 20 **Commissioner of Health, and in accordance with the**
 21 **"Administrative Procedure Act," P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et**
 22 **seq.), shall adopt rules and regulations as may be necessary to**
 23 **implement section 1 of this act.]¹**

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 25 ¹**[3.]** 1.¹ a. Beginning September 1, ¹**[2014]** 2015¹, a
 26 municipal or county recreation department and a nonprofit youth
 27 serving organization as defined in section 1 of P.L.1999, c.432
 28 (C.15A:3A-1) including, but not limited to, Little Leagues, Babe
 29 Ruth Leagues, Pop Warner Leagues, Police Athletic Leagues, and
 30 youth soccer leagues, which organizes, sponsors, or is otherwise
 31 affiliated with youth athletic events that are played on municipal,
 32 county, school, or other publicly-owned fields, shall ensure that
 33 there is available on site an automated external defibrillator, as
 34 defined in section 2 of P.L.1999, c.34 (C.2A:62A-24), at each youth
 35 athletic event and practice held on the department's or
 36 organization's home field.

37 The recreation department or youth serving organization shall
 38 designate one or more umpires ¹**[or]** ¹ coaches ¹, or licensed
 39 athletic trainers¹, as applicable, who will be present at the athletic
 40 event or practice, to be responsible for ensuring that the defibrillator
 41 is available on site at the event and practice. The designated umpire
 42 ¹**[or]** ¹ coach ¹, or licensed athletic trainer¹ shall be trained in
 43 cardio-pulmonary resuscitation and the use of the defibrillator in

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **[thus]** in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹Assembly AED committee amendments adopted May 11, 2015.

1 accordance with the provisions of section 3 of P.L.1999, c.34
2 (C.2A:62A-25).

3 b. A recreation department or youth serving organization shall
4 be deemed to be in compliance with the requirements of this section
5 if a State-certified emergency services provider or other certified
6 first responder is on site at the athletic event or practice and has a
7 defibrillator available for use on site.

8 c. A recreation department or youth serving organization and
9 its employees and volunteer umpires ¹~~and~~ ¹coaches ¹, and
10 licensed athletic trainers¹ shall be immune from civil liability in the
11 acquisition and use of a defibrillator pursuant to section 5 of
12 P.L.1999, c.34 (C.2A:62A-27).

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14 ¹~~4.~~ ¹2. a. Beginning September 1, ¹~~2014~~ ¹2015, a youth
15 camp operating pursuant to P.L.1973, c.375 (C.26:12-1 et seq.)
16 shall ensure that there is available on site an automated external
17 defibrillator, as defined in section 2 of P.L.1999, c.34 (C.2A:62A-
18 24) ¹~~],~~ within reasonable proximity of the camp's athletic fields or
19 other indoor or outdoor athletic facilities. For the purposes of this
20 section, "reasonable proximity" means that the automated external
21 defibrillator is able to be retrieved and applied in under three
22 minutes ¹~~].~~ The youth camp operator shall ensure that access to an
23 automated external defibrillator is available to the majority of the
24 camp population within the timeframe recommended by
25 authoritative sources including, but not limited to, the American
26 Red Cross, the American Heart Association, or the American
27 Academy of Pediatrics, based on the population served and the
28 activities conducted at the youth camp. This requirement shall not
29 apply to camp trips, travel camps, or other off-site programs of the
30 youth camp¹ .

31 The youth camp shall designate one or more counselors ¹,
32 licensed athletic trainers,¹ or other staff members ¹~~who will be~~
33 present at the athletic field or facility when campers are
34 participating in athletic activities, to be responsible for ensuring that
35 the defibrillator is available on site at the field or facility. The
36 designated counselor or staff member shall ¹~~to~~ ¹be trained in
37 cardio-pulmonary resuscitation and the use of the defibrillator in
38 accordance with the provisions of section 3 of P.L.1999, c.34
39 (C.2A:62A-25).

40 b. A youth camp shall be deemed to be in compliance with the
41 requirements of this section if a State-certified emergency services
42 provider or other certified first responder is on site ¹~~at the athletic~~
43 ~~field or facility~~¹ and has a defibrillator available for use on site.

44 c. A youth camp and its employees ¹, including licensed
45 athletic trainers,¹ shall be immune from civil liability in the
46 acquisition and use of a defibrillator pursuant to section 5 of
47 P.L.1999, c.34 (C.2A:62A-27).

1 **5.** ¹ This act shall take effect immediately.