

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

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A Bill

1 State of Arkansas  
2 87th General Assembly  
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SENATE BILL 312

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5 By: Senators Steele, Broadway, Crumbly, Laverty  
6 By: Representatives Abernathy, Allen, Gaskill, George, Harrelson, Reep, Saunders, Williams, Word,  
7 Flowers, Carroll, T. Baker

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10 **For An Act To Be Entitled**

11 AN ACT TO CREATE "THE ANTONY HOBBS III ACT"; TO  
12 CREATE SCHOOL-BASED AUTOMATED EXTERNAL  
13 DEFIBRILLATOR AND CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION  
14 PROGRAMS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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16 **Subtitle**

17 AN ACT TO CREATE "THE ANTONY HOBBS III  
18 ACT" AND TO CREATE SCHOOL-BASED  
19 AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR AND  
20 CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION PROGRAMS.

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23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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25 Section 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Antony  
26 Hobbs III Act".

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28 *SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 6-10-122 is amended to read as follows:*

29 *6-10-122. Automated external defibrillators required.*

30 (a)(1) The State Board of Education shall promulgate rules to require  
31 that:

32 (A) ~~each~~ Each school campus have an automated external  
33 defibrillator ~~if funds are available; and~~

34 (B)(i) Appropriate school personnel be adequately trained  
35 on or before May 31, 2011; and



1 (ii) After May 31, 2011, appropriate school  
2 personnel be adequately trained on an ongoing basis.

3 (2) To enhance the potential life-saving capability of each  
4 automated external defibrillator, the rules shall include without limitation  
5 provisions regarding the availability of the school's automated external  
6 defibrillator at school-related activities, such as athletic events.

7 (b) To minimize the financial impact on school districts, each school  
8 district may apply for a grant from the Department of Health to purchase an  
9 automated external defibrillator or related equipment or to provide training  
10 to its personnel, or any combination of purchase of an automated external  
11 defibrillator or related equipment or provision of training to personnel.

12 (c) Beginning in 2011, the Commissioner of Education shall provide a  
13 report to the Senate Committee on Public Health, Welfare, and Labor and the  
14 House Committee on Public Health, Welfare, and Labor on or before July 1,  
15 each year regarding the implementation of this section and the status of  
16 automated external defibrillator availability on each school campus.

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18 SECTION 3. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 10, Subchapter 1 is amended  
19 to add an additional section to read as follows:

20 6-10-123. School-based automated external defibrillator and  
21 cardiopulmonary resuscitation programs.

22 (a) The State Board of Education, after consultation with the  
23 Department of Health, shall develop rules based on guidelines for automated  
24 external defibrillator and cardiopulmonary resuscitation training that  
25 incorporates at least the following:

26 (1) Health care provider oversight, including planning and  
27 review of the selection, placement, and maintenance of automated external  
28 defibrillators;

29 (2) Appropriate training of anticipated rescuers in the use of  
30 the automated external defibrillator and in cardiopulmonary resuscitation;

31 (3) Testing of psychomotor skills based on the American Heart  
32 Association scientific guidelines, standards, and recommendations for the use  
33 of the automated external defibrillator, as they existed on January 1, 2009,  
34 and for providing cardiopulmonary resuscitation as published by the American  
35 Heart Association, American Red Cross, or in equivalent course materials, as  
36 they existed on January 1, 2009;

