

1                                   A bill to be entitled  
 2       An act relating to public school physical education;  
 3       amending s. 1003.455, F.S.; providing requirements for  
 4       student participation in physical education; requiring  
 5       review and revision of the Sunshine State Standards for  
 6       physical education; amending s. 1012.98, F.S.; requiring  
 7       the Department of Education to develop and school  
 8       districts to provide a professional development program;  
 9       providing an effective date.

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

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13           Section 1. Section 1003.455, Florida Statutes, is amended  
 14 to read:

15           1003.455 Physical education programs, ~~assessment~~.--

16           (1) It is the responsibility of each district school board  
 17 to develop a physical education program that stresses physical  
 18 fitness and encourages healthful, active lifestyles. Each  
 19 district school board shall require all students in kindergarten  
 20 through grade 5, and to encourage all students in grades 6  
 21 through ~~prekindergarten through grade 12,~~ to participate in  
 22 physical education. Physical education shall consist of physical  
 23 activities of at least a moderate intensity level and for a  
 24 duration sufficient to provide a significant health benefit to  
 25 students, subject to the differing capabilities of students. All  
 26 physical education programs and curricula must be reviewed by a  
 27 certified physical education instructor.

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28 (2) Each district school board shall adopt a written  
29 physical education policy that details the school district's  
30 physical education program and expected program outcomes.

31 (3) Each district school board shall require each  
32 kindergarten through grade 5 student to participate in physical  
33 education daily to consist of ~~is encouraged to provide~~ 150  
34 minutes of physical education each week ~~for students in~~  
35 ~~kindergarten through grade 5~~ and shall encourage each student in  
36 grades 6 through 12 to participate in physical education for 225  
37 minutes each week ~~for students in grades 6 through 8~~.

38 (4) The State Board of Education shall review and revise  
39 as necessary the Sunshine State Standards for physical education  
40 to ensure that the standards reflect state-of-the-art physical  
41 education philosophy and practice.

42 Section 2. Paragraph (c) of subsection (4) of section  
43 1012.98, Florida Statutes, is redesignated as paragraph (d) and  
44 a new paragraph (c) is added to that subsection to read:

45 1012.98 School Community Professional Development Act.--

46 (4) The Department of Education, school districts,  
47 schools, community colleges, and state universities share the  
48 responsibilities described in this section. These  
49 responsibilities include the following:

50 (c) The department shall develop and each school district  
51 shall provide a professional development program for physical  
52 education instructors, elementary and secondary school teachers  
53 whose responsibilities include teaching physical education  
54 classes, and developers of physical education curricula.

55 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2007.