

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to physical education in the public
 3 schools; amending s. 1003.455, F.S.; requiring district
 4 school boards to provide physical education for students
 5 in grades 6 through 8; specifying weekly hour
 6 requirements; providing for reporting and instruction;
 7 providing an effective date.

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

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 11 Section 1. Subsection (3) of section 1003.455, Florida
 12 Statutes, is amended to read:

13 1003.455 Physical education; assessment.--

14 (3) Each district school board shall provide 150 minutes
 15 of physical education each week for students in kindergarten
 16 through grade 5 and 225 minutes of physical education each week
 17 for students in grades 6 through 8. Students enrolled in such
 18 instruction shall be reported through the periodic student
 19 membership surveys, and records of such enrollment shall be
 20 audited pursuant to s. 1010.305. Such instruction may be
 21 provided by any instructional personnel as defined in s.
 22 1012.01(2), regardless of certification, who are designated by
 23 the school principal. ~~Each district school board is encouraged~~
 24 ~~to provide 225 minutes of physical education each week for~~
 25 ~~students in grades 6 through 8.~~

26 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008.