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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to cardiopulmonary resuscitation in
3 public schools; creating s. 1003.457, F.S.; requiring
4 school districts to provide instruction in
5 cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and the use of an
6 automated external defibrillator; requiring students
7 to study and practice psychomotor skills associated
8 with CPR at least once before graduating from high
9 school; requiring the instruction to be a part of a
10 required curriculum; providing instruction to be based
11 on certain programs; providing an exemption; amending
12 s. 1003.453, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes
13 made by the act; providing an effective date.

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

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17 Section 1. Section 1003.457, Florida Statutes, is created
18 to read:

19 1003.457 Instruction in cardiopulmonary resuscitation.—

20 (1) Each school district shall provide instruction in
21 cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and the use of an automated
22 external defibrillator. Students shall study and practice the
23 psychomotor skills associated with performing CPR at least once
24 before graduating from high school. The instruction shall be a
25 part of the physical education curriculum or another required
26 curriculum selected by the school district.

27 (2) The instruction shall be based on an instructional
28 program established by:

29 (a) The American Heart Association;

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30 (b) The American Red Cross; or

31 (c) Another nationally recognized program that uses the
32 most current evidence-based emergency cardiovascular care
33 guidelines.

34 (3) A student with a disability, as defined in s. 1007.02,
35 is exempt from the requirements of this section.

36 Section 2. Subsection (3) of section 1003.453, Florida
37 Statutes, is amended to read:

38 1003.453 School wellness and physical education policies;
39 nutrition guidelines.-

40 (3) School districts are encouraged to provide basic
41 training in first aid, ~~including cardiopulmonary resuscitation,~~
42 for all students, beginning in grade 6 and every 2 years
43 thereafter. Private and public partnerships for providing
44 training or necessary funding are encouraged.

45 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2018.