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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to cardiopulmonary resuscitation
3 training in public schools; amending s. 1003.453,
4 F.S.; requiring school districts to provide training
5 in cardiopulmonary resuscitation to students at the
6 high school level; providing requirements for such
7 training; requiring students to study and practice the
8 psychomotor skills associated with performing
9 cardiopulmonary resuscitation at least once before
10 they graduate from high school; providing an exception
11 for certain students; making a technical change;
12 conforming provisions to changes made by the act;
13 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. Present subsection (3) of section 1003.453,
18 Florida Statutes, is redesignated as subsection (4) and amended,
19 and a new subsection (3) is added to that section, to read:

20 1003.453 School wellness and physical education policies;
21 nutrition guidelines.—

22 (3) As part of the physical education curriculum or any
23 other required curriculum a school may designate, each school
24 district shall provide training in cardiopulmonary resuscitation
25 (CPR) at the high school level. The CPR training must be based
26 on an instructional program established by the American Heart
27 Association or the American Red Cross, or another nationally
28 recognized program that uses the most current evidence-based
29 emergency cardiovascular care guidelines and incorporates the

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30 development of psychomotor skills associated with performing
31 CPR. Students shall study and practice at least once before
32 graduating from high school the psychomotor skills associated
33 with performing CPR. Psychomotor skills are learned through
34 hands-on practice that supports cognitive learning. This
35 subsection does not apply to a student with a disability as
36 defined in s. 1007.02.

37 (4)~~(3)~~ School districts are encouraged to provide basic
38 training in first aid, including CPR ~~cardiopulmonary~~
39 ~~resuscitation~~, for all students, beginning in grade 6 and every
40 2 years thereafter. ~~Instruction in the use of cardiopulmonary~~
41 ~~resuscitation must be based on a nationally recognized program~~
42 ~~that uses the most current evidence-based emergency~~
43 ~~cardiovascular care guidelines. The instruction must allow~~
44 ~~students to practice the psychomotor skills associated with~~
45 ~~performing cardiopulmonary resuscitation and use an automated~~
46 ~~external defibrillator when a school district has the equipment~~
47 ~~necessary to perform the instruction. Private and public~~
48 ~~partnerships for providing training or necessary funding are~~
49 ~~encouraged.~~

50 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2020.