

By the Committee on Health Policy; and Senator Collins

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to youth athletic activities; amending
3 s. 1012.55, F.S.; revising the requirements for
4 certain athletic coaches to include certification in
5 cardiopulmonary resuscitation, first aid, and the use
6 of an automatic external defibrillator; providing
7 requirements for such certification; providing an
8 effective date.

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

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12 Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section
13 1012.55, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

14 1012.55 Positions for which certificates required.—

15 (2) (a) 1. Each person who is employed and renders service as
16 an athletic coach in any public school in any district of this
17 state shall:

18 a. Hold a valid temporary or professional certificate or an
19 athletic coaching certificate. The athletic coaching certificate
20 may be used for either part-time or full-time positions.

21 b. Hold and maintain a certification in cardiopulmonary
22 resuscitation, first aid, and the use of an automatic external
23 defibrillator. The certification must be consistent with
24 national evidence-based emergency cardiovascular care
25 guidelines.

26 2. The provisions of this subsection do not apply to any
27 athletic coach who voluntarily renders service and who is not
28 employed by any public school district of this state.

29 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2024.