

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 221(EDC)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE SENATE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Offered: 4/11/24

Referred: Finance

Sponsor(s): SENATORS GRAY-JACKSON, Kawasaki, Giessel, Olson, Claman, Tobin, Bjorkman

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act relating to cardiopulmonary resuscitation education in public schools; relating**
2 **to the duties of the Department of Education and Early Development; and providing for**
3 **an effective date."**

4 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

5 *** Section 1.** AS 14.30.360(a) is amended to read:

6 (a) Each district in the state public school system shall be encouraged to
7 initiate and conduct a program in health education for kindergarten through grade 12.
8 The program should include instruction in physical health and personal safety
9 including alcohol and drug abuse education, [CARDIOPULMONARY
10 RESUSCITATION (CPR),] early cancer prevention and detection, dental health,
11 family health including infant care, environmental health, the identification and
12 prevention of child abuse, child abduction, neglect, sexual abuse, and domestic
13 violence, and appropriate use of health services.

14 *** Sec. 2.** AS 14.30 is amended by adding a new section to read:

1 **Sec. 14.30.363. Cardiopulmonary resuscitation education.** A school district
2 shall instruct public secondary school students in hands-only cardiopulmonary
3 resuscitation at least once in grade 9, 10, 11, or 12. A school district shall adopt a
4 program for hands-only cardiopulmonary resuscitation instruction that is based on
5 national, evidence-based emergency cardiovascular care guidelines for
6 cardiopulmonary resuscitation. A person holding a current cardiopulmonary
7 resuscitation certificate or a current teacher certificate issued under AS 14.20 may
8 present the program to students. The program must

9 (1) incorporate hands-on practice in addition to cognitive learning; and

10 (2) include instruction in the appropriate use of an automated external
11 defibrillator, which may be taught using video or other means if in-person instruction
12 is not available.

13 * **Sec. 3.** This Act takes effect August 25, 2025.