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SENATE BILL NO. 12

BY SENATOR FIELDS AND REPRESENTATIVE BOYD

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

PUBLIC HEALTH. Requires an automated external defibrillator on the premises of all educational institutions and at sponsored athletic events. (gov sig)

1	AN ACT
2	To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1137.3(E) and (F) and to enact R.S. 40:1137.3(G), relative
3	to automated external defibrillators (AED); to require an AED on the premises of
4	each postsecondary institution and each elementary, middle, and high school; to
5	require an AED at certain athletic events; to require an individual trained in the use
6	of the AED and first-aid CPR at the events; to provide for a cardiac emergency
7	response plan; to provide for rules and regulations; to create a special fund; to
8	provide for uses of monies in the fund; and to provide for related matters.
9	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
10	Section 1. R.S. 40:1137.3(E) and (F) are hereby amended and reenacted and R.S.
11	40:1137.3(G) is hereby enacted to read as follows:
12	§1137.3. Persons in possession of AEDs; training, testing, and notification
13	requirements; manufacturer responsibility; possession required
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15	E. (1)(a) Any Each postsecondary education institution of higher education
16	that competes in intercollegiate athletics shall have an AED on its premises in an
17	easily accessible location within its athletic department.

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1	(b) Any postsecondary education institution that sponsors an
2	intercollegiate athletic event shall have an AED and a trained AED user who is
3	also trained in first-aid CPR at the event.
4	(c) Each postsecondary education institution shall have a "cardiac
5	emergency response plan". For purposes of this Subparagraph, a "cardiac
6	emergency response plan" means a written document that establishes the
7	specific steps to reduce death from cardiac arrest at an intercollegiate athletic
8	event.
9	(i) An institution cardiac emergency response plan shall be prepared by
10	each president or chancellor jointly with local emergency responders.
11	(ii) The plan, which shall focus on preventing the loss of life, shall
12	integrate at a minimum the following guidelines:
13	(aa) Establishing a cardiac emergency response team.
14	(bb) Activating the team in response to a sudden cardiac arrest.
15	(cc) Implementing AED placement and routine maintenance within the
16	institution.
17	(dd) Maintaining ongoing staff training in CPR and AED use.
18	(ee) Practicing using drills.
19	(ff) Integrating local EMS with the plan.
20	(gg) Annually reviewing and evaluating the plan.
21	(2)(a) Each elementary, middle, and high school shall have an AED on its
22	premises, if funding is available, subject to appropriation in an easily accessible
23	location. Each high school shall have the authority to accept donations of AEDs or
24	funds to acquire AEDs.
25	(b) Any elementary, middle, or high school that sponsors an
26	interscholastic athletic event shall have an AED and a trained AED user who is
27	also trained in first-aid CPR at the event.
28	(c) Each elementary, middle, and high school shall have a "cardiac
29	emergency response plan". For purposes of this Subparagraph, a "cardiac

1	emergency response plan" means a written document that establishes the
2	specific steps to reduce death from cardiac arrest at an interscholastic athletic
3	event.
4	(i) A school cardiac emergency response plan shall be prepared by each
5	principal jointly with local emergency responders.
6	(ii) The plan, which shall focus on preventing the loss of life, shall
7	integrate at a minimum the following guidelines:
8	(aa) Establishing a cardiac emergency response team.
9	(bb) Activating the team in response to a sudden cardiac arrest.
10	(cc) Implementing AED placement and routine maintenance within the
11	<u>school.</u>
12	(dd) Maintaining ongoing staff training in CPR and AED use.
13	(ee) Practicing using drills.
14	(ff) Integrating local EMS with the plan.
15	(gg) Annually reviewing and evaluating the plan.
16	F. The Louisiana Department of Health shall promulgate all necessary rules
17	and regulations to implement the provisions of Subsections D and E of this Section.
18	Such rules and regulations shall, at a minimum, provide for eompliance,:
19	(1) Compliance, enforcement, and penalties.
20	(2) Periodic maintenance and testing of each AED to ensure each AED
21	<u>is in working order.</u>
22	(3) Appropriate training for persons designated to use and maintain an
23	<u>AED.</u>
24	G. (1) There is hereby created in the state treasury, as a special fund, the
25	Jump Start Your Heart Fund, hereinafter referred to in this Section as the
26	"fund". The fund shall consist of any monies appropriated, allocated, donated,
27	or transferred to the fund and shall be deposited by the state treasurer after
28	compliance with the provisions of Article VII, Section 9(B) of the Constitution
29	of Louisiana.

1	(2) All unexpended and unencumbered monies in the fund at the end of
2	the fiscal year shall remain in the fund. Monies in the fund shall be invested in
3	the same manner as monies in the state general fund. Interest earned on the
4	investment of monies in the fund shall be deposited in and credited to the fund.
	(3) Monies in the fund shall be appropriated by the legislature and shall
	be utilized to purchase automated external defibrillators for use at each
	postsecondary, high, middle, and elementary school in the state under the
	provisions of all necessary rules and regulations as promulgated by the
	Louisiana Department of Health.
	Section 2. The provisions of this Act shall be implemented by each postsecondary
	education institution and each elementary, middle, and high school beginning with the
	2024-2025 school year.
	Section 3. The provisions of this Act shall be known and cited as the "Jump Start
	Your Heart Act".
	Section 4. The provisions of this Act shall be subject to an appropriation of funds by
	the Legislature.
	Section 5. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
	signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
	by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
	vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
	effective on the day following such approval.

The original instrument was prepared by Cheryl Serrett. The following digest, which does not constitute a part of the legislative instrument, was prepared by Tracey Sabina Sudduth.

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<u>Present law</u> requires each institution of higher education that competes in intercollegiate athletics to have an automated external defibrillator (AED) on its premises in its athletic department.

<u>Present law</u> requires AEDs, if funding is available, to be on the premises of each high school. Further requires the Louisiana Department of Health to promulgate rules and regulations.

Page 4 of 5 Coding: Words which are struck through are deletions from existing law; words in **boldface type and underscored** are additions. <u>Proposed law</u> requires each postsecondary education institution, elementary, middle, and high school to have an AED on its premises in an easily accessible location.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires that an AED and a trained AED user who is also trained in first-aid CPR be at each athletic event sponsored by a postsecondary institution and elementary, middle, or high school.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires each postsecondary education institution, elementary, middle, and high school to have a "cardiac emergency response plan". <u>Proposed law</u> further requires each president or chancellor of a postsecondary education institution and the principal of each elementary, middle, and high school to prepare the plan jointly with local emergency responders.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that rules and regulations be developed to ensure periodic testing and maintenance of each AED to ensure the AED is kept in working order and to prescribe appropriate training for persons designated to use and maintain an AED.

<u>Proposed law</u> creates the Jump Start Your Heart Fund to provide for the purchase of AEDs for use at postsecondary, high, middle, and elementary schools in the state.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires the provisions of <u>proposed law</u> to be implemented beginning with the 2024-2025 school year.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that this Act shall be subject to an appropriation of funds by the Legislature.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 40:1137.3(E) and (F); adds R.S. 40:1137.3(G))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Education to the original bill

- 1. Adds that a trainer must be trained in first-aid CPR.
- 2. Provides for each postsecondary education institution, elementary, middle, and high school to have a "cardiac emergency response plan".
- 3. Provides for each postsecondary education institution, elementary, middle, and high school to have implemented the provisions of proposed law beginning with the 2024-2025 school year.
- 4. Names the bill the "Jump Start Your Heart Act".

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Finance to the engrossed bill

- 1. Creates the Jump Start Your Heart Fund as a special fund in the state treasury. Any monies appropriated, allocated, donated, or transferred to the fund shall be deposited by the state treasurer.
- 2. Monies in the fund shall be utilized to purchase AEDs for use at postsecondary, high, middle, and elementary schools in the state.
- 3. This Act shall be subject to an appropriation of funds by the Legislature.

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