

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 414—COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

(ON BEHALF OF THE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE  
ON EDUCATION)

MARCH 21, 2013

Referred to Committee on Education

SUMMARY—Requires a course of study in health to include, to the extent money is available for this purpose, instruction in cardiopulmonary resuscitation and the use of an automated external defibrillator for certain grade levels. (BDR 34-204)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: May have Fiscal Impact.  
Effect on the State: Yes.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to education; requiring instruction in the administration of cardiopulmonary resuscitation and the use of an automated external defibrillator to be included, to the extent money is available for this purpose, within the course of study for health for pupils enrolled in high schools; providing exceptions for certain pupils; requiring private secondary schools to include similar instruction, to the extent money is available for this purpose, in a course of study for health; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel's Digest:**

1 Existing law designates, in addition to the core academic subjects that must be  
2 taught in all public schools, the following subjects that must be taught as applicable  
3 for grade levels: (1) the arts; (2) computer education and technology; (3) health;  
4 and (4) physical education. (NRS 389.018) The State Board of Education is  
5 required to adopt regulations establishing the courses of study for the prescribed  
6 academic subjects, including health. (NRS 389.0185) **Sections 1 and 2** of this bill  
7 require a course of study in health established by the State Board to include, for  
8 pupils enrolled in high schools and to the extent money is available for this  
9 purpose, instruction in the administration of cardiopulmonary resuscitation and the  
10 use of an automated external defibrillator. The requirements also apply, to the  
11 extent money is available for this purpose, to charter schools that enroll pupils at



the high school grade levels. If instruction is offered, a pupil who is enrolled in a course of study of health through a program of distance education or a pupil with a disability who cannot perform the tasks included in the instruction is not required to complete the instruction to pass the course of study in health.

Existing law requires a private school to provide instruction in the courses of study prescribed by the State Board or courses of study prepared by the private school and approved by the State Board. (NRS 394.130) **Section 3** of this bill requires a private secondary school which provides a course of study in health to include in the course of study, to the extent money is available for this purpose, instruction in the administration of cardiopulmonary resuscitation and the use of an automated external defibrillator for the grade levels determined by the private school. The same exemptions as prescribed by **section 2** apply to a pupil enrolled in a private school through a program of distance education and a pupil with a disability.

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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN  
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 1.** NRS 389.018 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
389.018 1. The following subjects are designated as the core academic subjects that must be taught, as applicable for grade levels, in all public schools, the Caliente Youth Center, the Nevada Youth Training Center and any other state facility for the detention of children that is operated pursuant to title 5 of NRS:

- (a) English, including reading, composition and writing;
- (b) Mathematics;
- (c) Science; and
- (d) Social studies, which includes only the subjects of history, geography, economics and government.

2. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, a pupil enrolled in a public high school must enroll in a minimum of:

- (a) Four units of credit in English;
- (b) Four units of credit in mathematics, including, without limitation, Algebra I and geometry, or an equivalent course of study that integrates Algebra I and geometry;
- (c) Three units of credit in science, including two laboratory courses; and
- (d) Three units of credit in social studies, including, without limitation:

- (1) American government;
- (2) American history; and
- (3) World history or geography.

➔ A pupil is not required to enroll in the courses of study and credits required by this subsection if the pupil, the parent or legal guardian of the pupil and an administrator or a counselor at the school in which the pupil is enrolled mutually agree to a modified course of study for the pupil and that modified course of study



satisfies at least the requirements for a standard high school diploma or an adjusted diploma, as applicable.

3. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, in addition to the core academic subjects, the following subjects must be taught as applicable for grade levels and to the extent practicable in all public schools, the Caliente Youth Center, the Nevada Youth Training Center and any other state facility for the detention of children that is operated pursuant to title 5 of NRS:

- (a) The arts;
- (b) Computer education and technology;
- (c) Health; and
- (d) Physical education.

➔ If the State Board requires the completion of course work in a subject area set forth in this subsection for graduation from high school or promotion to the next grade, a public school shall offer the required course work. ~~Unless~~ *Except as otherwise provided for a course of study in health prescribed by subsection 1 of NRS 389.0185, unless* a subject is required for graduation from high school or promotion to the next grade, a charter school is not required to comply with this subsection.

**Sec. 2.** NRS 389.0185 is hereby amended to read as follows:

389.0185 *1.* The State Board shall adopt regulations establishing courses of study and the grade levels for which the courses of study apply for:

~~1-1~~ *(a)* The academic subjects set forth in NRS 389.018. *A course of study in health prescribed pursuant to paragraph (c) of subsection 3 of NRS 389.018 must, to the extent money is available for this purpose, for pupils enrolled in high school, including, without limitation, pupils enrolled in the high school grade levels at a charter school, include instruction in:*

*(1) The administration of hands-only or compression-only cardiopulmonary resuscitation, including a psychomotor skill-based component, according to the guidelines of the American Red Cross or American Heart Association; and*

*(2) The use of an automated external defibrillator.*

~~12-1~~ *(b)* Citizenship and physical training for pupils enrolled in high school.

~~13-1~~ *(c)* Physiology, hygiene and , *except as otherwise prescribed by paragraph (a),* cardiopulmonary resuscitation.

~~14-1~~ *(d)* The prevention of suicide.

~~15-1~~ *(e)* Instruction relating to child abuse.

~~16-1~~ *(f)* The economics of the American system of free enterprise.

~~17-1~~ *(g)* American Sign Language.

~~18-1~~ *(h)* Environmental education.



~~19.1~~ (i) Adult roles and responsibilities.

→ A course of study established for ~~subsection 1~~ paragraph (a) may include one or more of the subjects listed in ~~subsections 2 to 9.1~~ paragraphs (b) to (i), inclusive.

2. If a course of study in health in high school includes instruction in cardiopulmonary resuscitation and the use of an automated external defibrillator:

(a) A teacher who provides the instruction is not required to hold certification in the administration of cardiopulmonary resuscitation unless required by the board of trustees of the school district pursuant to NRS 391.092 or by the governing body of the charter school.

(b) The board of trustees of the school district or the governing body of the charter school may collaborate with entities to assist in the provision of the instruction and the provision of equipment necessary for the instruction, including, without limitation, fire departments, hospitals, colleges and universities and public health agencies.

(c) A pupil who is enrolled in a course of study in health through a program of distance education or a pupil with a disability who cannot perform the tasks included in the instruction is not required to complete the instruction to pass the course of study in health.

Sec. 3. NRS 394.130 is hereby amended to read as follows:

394.130 1. In order to secure uniform and standard work for pupils in private schools in this State, instruction in the subjects required by law for pupils in the public schools shall be required of pupils receiving instruction in such private schools, either under the regular state courses of study prescribed by the ~~State~~ Board ~~of Education~~ or under courses of study prepared by such private schools and approved by the ~~State~~ Board. ~~of Education.~~

2. A course of study in health provided at a private secondary school must include, to the extent money is available for this purpose and for the grade levels determined by the private school, instruction in:

(a) The administration of hands-only or compression-only cardiopulmonary resuscitation, including a psychomotor skill-based component, according to the guidelines of the American Red Cross or American Heart Association; and

(b) The use of an automated external defibrillator.

3. If a course of study in health in a private secondary school includes instruction in cardiopulmonary resuscitation and the use of an automated external defibrillator:



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1 (a) *A teacher who provides the instruction is not required to*  
2 *hold certification in the administration of cardiopulmonary*  
3 *resuscitation.*

4 (b) *The private school may collaborate with entities to assist in*  
5 *the provision of the instruction and the provision of equipment*  
6 *necessary for the instruction, including, without limitation, fire*  
7 *departments, hospitals, colleges and universities and public health*  
8 *agencies.*

9 (c) *A pupil who is enrolled in a course of study in health*  
10 *through a program of distance education or a pupil with a*  
11 *disability who cannot perform the tasks included in the instruction*  
12 *is not required to complete the instruction to pass the course of*  
13 *study in health.*

14 4. Such private schools shall be required to furnish from time  
15 to time such reports as the Superintendent of Public Instruction may  
16 find necessary as to enrollment, attendance and general progress  
17 within such schools.

18 ~~13-1~~ 5. Nothing in this section shall be so construed as:

19 (a) To interfere with the right of the proper authorities having  
20 charge of private schools to give religious instruction to the pupils  
21 enrolled therein.

22 (b) To give such private schools any right to share in the public  
23 school funds apportioned for the support of the public schools of  
24 this State.

25 **Sec. 4.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2013.

