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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOL HEALTH EDUCATION PROGRAM TO PROVIDE INSTRUCTION ON THE PERFORMANCE OF CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION AND THE HEIMLICH MANEUVER.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 115C-81(e1)(1) reads as rewritten:

"(e1) School Health Education Program to Be Developed and Administered.

(1) A comprehensive school health education program shall be developed and taught to pupils of the public schools of this State from kindergarten through ninth grade. This program includes age-appropriate instruction in the following subject areas, regardless of whether this instruction is described as, or incorporated into a description of, 'family life education', 'family health education', 'health education', 'family living', 'health', 'healthful living curriculum', or 'self-esteem':

a. Mental and emotional health;

- 1           b.     Drug and alcohol abuse prevention;  
2           c.     Nutrition;  
3           d.     Dental health;  
4           e.     Environmental health;  
5           f.     Family living;  
6           g.     Consumer health;  
7           h.     Disease control;  
8           i.     Growth and development;  
9           j.     First aid and emergency ~~care;~~ care, including the teaching of  
10                    cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and the Heimlich maneuver  
11                    by using hands-on training with mannequins so that students  
12                    become proficient in order to pass a test approved by the  
13                    American Heart Association, or American Red Cross.  
14           k.     Preventing sexually transmitted diseases, including Acquired  
15                    Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) virus infection, and other  
16                    communicable diseases;  
17           l.     Abstinence until marriage education; and  
18           m.     Bicycle safety."

19           Section 2. G.S. 115C-81(c) reads as rewritten:

20           "(c) **(For effective date see notes)** Local boards of education shall provide for the  
21           efficient teaching at appropriate grade levels of all materials set forth in the standard  
22           course of study, including integrated instruction in the areas of citizenship in the United  
23           States of America, government of the State of North Carolina, government of the United  
24           States, fire prevention, the free enterprise ~~system,~~ system, and the dangers of harmful or  
25           illegal drugs, including ~~alcohol, and cardio-pulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and the Heimlich~~  
26           ~~maneuver.~~ alcohol.

27           Except when a board authorizes teaching in a foreign language in order to comply  
28           with federal law, local boards of education shall require all teachers and principals to  
29           conduct classes except foreign language classes in English. Any teacher or principal who  
30           refuses to do so may be dismissed."

31           Section 3. This act is effective when it becomes law.