

**SENATE . . . . . No. 231**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

***Benjamin B. Downing***

*To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:*

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to cardiopulmonary resuscitation certification for athletic coaches.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Benjamin B. Downing</i>	<i>Berkshire, Hampshire, Franklin and Hampden</i>
<i>Sal N. DiDomenico</i>	<i>Middlesex and Suffolk</i>
<i>Thomas M. McGee</i>	<i>Third Essex</i>
<i>John J. Lawn, Jr.</i>	<i>10th Middlesex</i>
<i>Michael J. Rodrigues</i>	<i>First Bristol and Plymouth</i>
<i>William N. Brownsberger</i>	<i>Second Suffolk and Middlesex</i>
<i>Denise Andrews</i>	<i>2nd Franklin</i>
<i>Thomas M. Stanley</i>	<i>9th Middlesex</i>

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By Mr. Downing, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 231) of Benjamin B. Downing, Sal N. DiDomenico, Thomas M. McGee, John J. Lawn, Jr. and other members of the General Court for legislation to require all coaches to have cardiopulmonary resuscitation certification . Education.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE  
SENATE  
, NO. 2109 OF 2011-2012.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen**

An Act relative to cardiopulmonary resuscitation certification for athletic coaches.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Section 47A of chapter 71 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following 2 sentences:-

3 All coaches shall be required to have a current certification in cardiopulmonary  
4 resuscitation from the American Heart Association, American Red Cross, or other agency  
5 approved by the department of public health. Such requirement shall not apply to physically  
6 disabled coaches. A school district which hires a coach under this section shall not be responsible  
7 for costs associated with said certification.

8 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect on August 1, 2013.