SENATE BILL 1024

F14lr2332CF HB 1219 By: Senator Brooks Introduced and read first time: February 2, 2024 Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee Report: Favorable with amendments Senate action: Adopted Read second time: March 16, 2024 CHAPTER AN ACT concerning Public Middle and High Schools - Cardiac Emergency Action Plan-Requirements Response Plans for Athletic Facilities (The Bailey Bullock Act) FOR the purpose of requiring that each public middle and high school to develop and implement alter the venue-specific emergency action plan for athletic facilities to incorporate a cardiac emergency response plan beginning on a certain date; and generally relating to a cardiac emergency action plan in public schools cardiac emergency response plans for athletic facilities. BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, Article – Education Section 7-436 7-451 Annotated Code of Maryland (2022 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement) SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows: Article - Education (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

<u>Underlining</u> indicates amendments to bill.

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Strike out indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.

1		(2)	(i)	"Athletic activity" means:
2				1. Interscholastic athletics;
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5				3. Practices and scrimmages.
6 7	school-affil	iated ∈	(ii) organiz	"Athletic activity" includes cheerleading and sports sponsored by ations.
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8 9	and unexpe	(3) ectedly		den cardiac arrest" means a condition in which the heart suddenly beating.
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10	41.1 4.	(4)		th sports program" means a program organized for recreational
1	athletic con	npetiti	on or 11	nstruction for participants who are under the age of 19 years.
12	(b)			this section may be construed to create, establish, expand, reduce,
13				ny civil liability on the part of a county board employee, school
4	employee, c	er yout	h sport	s program volunteer.
. 5	(a)	(1)	The	Department shall develop policies and implement a program to
16	(e)			school personnel, students, and the parents or guardians of
17				with the Maryland Department of Health, each county board, the
18				ary Schools Athletic Association, the Maryland Athletic Trainers'
9				ary schools reinfecte resociation, the waryland reinfecte framers art Watch, and licensed health care providers who treat heart
20	issues, on:	, rarc	110 1100	water, and needsed nearth care providers who treat heart
21			(i)	The nature and warning signs of sudden cardiac arrest, including
22	fainting, di	fficulty	/ breat l	ning, chest pains, dizziness, and abnormal heart rate; and
23			(ii)	The risks associated with continuing to play or practice after
24	experiencin	ig a sy	mptom	of sudden cardiac arrest.
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25		(2)		program shall include a process to verify that a coach has received
26	intermatior	1 on th	e progr	am developed under paragraph (1) of this subsection.
27		(3)	(i)	Before a student enrolled in a public school system in the State
28	may nartici	` /		thorized athletic activity, the county board shall provide a sudden
29	eardiac arr	est svn	nptoms	and warning signs information sheet to the student and a parent
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31			(ii)	The student and the parent or guardian of the student shall sign
32	a statemen	t ackn		ing receipt of the information sheet.

1	(iii) The Department shall create the information sheet and
2	acknowledgment statement required under this paragraph.
3	(4) The Department may use materials available from the Centers for
4	Disease Control and Prevention, Parent Heart Watch, Sudden Arrhythmia Death
5	Syndromes Foundation, THE AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION, or any other appropriate
6	entity to carry out the requirements of this subsection.
7	(d) A public school may hold an informational meeting before the start of each
8	athletic season regarding the symptoms and warning signs of sudden cardiac arrest.
9	(e) (1) Before an individual participates in an authorized athletic activity or
10	school property, the county board shall provide, or require that a third party provide:
11	(i) Information on sudden cardiac arrest to the individual and, i
12	applicable, a parent or guardian of the individual; and
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13 14	(ii) Notice that acknowledgment of the receipt of the information by the individual and, if applicable, the parent or guardian of the individual, is required.
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15	(2) The information required under paragraph (1) of this subsection shal
16	be in the form of:
17	(i) A separate information sheet; or
	(i) II separate information sheet, of
18	(ii) A notice on the registration form for a youth sports program
19	stating that information on sudden cardiac arrest is available, including directions on how
20	to receive the information electronically.
21	(3) The individual and, if applicable, the parent or guardian of the
22	individual shall:
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23	(i) Acknowledge receipt of the information by:
24	1. Signature;
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$\frac{25}{26}$	2. Checking an acknowledgment box on the registration form: or
20	torm, or
27	3. Another method of written or electronic acknowledgment
28	and
29	(ii) Return the acknowledgment to the county board or third party.
30	(f) (1) A youth sports program that uses a public school facility shall provide
31	annually to the county board or the board's agent a statement of intent to comply for all its
32	athletic activities with the requirements of subsection (e) of this section.

$\begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 2 \end{array}$	(2) A youth sports program that does not use a public school facility is encouraged to follow the guidelines of this section.
3 4	(G) (1) BEGINNING IN THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR, EACH PUBLIC SCHOOL SHALL DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A CARDIAC EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN.
5	<u>7–451.</u>
6 7	(a) (1) Each middle school and high school shall develop a venue—specific emergency action plan for all athletic facilities.
8	(2) A venue–specific emergency action plan includes:
9 10	(i) The operation and use of automatic external defibrillators in accordance with § 7–425 of this subtitle;
11 12	(ii) <u>Heat acclimatization in accordance with § 7–434 of this subtitle;</u> [and]
13 14 15	(iii) Coordination of care for other emergent injuries, including cervical spinal injury, concussion and closed head injury, major orthopedic injuries, and severe weather for outdoor facilities; AND
16 17	(IV) A CARDIAC EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION (E) OF THIS SECTION.
18	(b) A venue–specific emergency action plan developed under this section shall be:
19	(1) Posted at each athletic facility at the school;
20 21	(2) Available on the school's website for viewing by a student athlete's parent or guardian at the beginning of each school year;
22	(3) Distributed to each member of the coaching staff; and
23 24	(4) Rehearsed in person and interactively by all of the coaching staff of each sport before each of their respective seasons.
25 26	(c) The provisions of a venue—specific emergency action plan for the operation and use of automatic external defibrillators shall ensure that:
27 28	(1) An automated external defibrillator is provided on—site and is located at or within a brief walk from an athletic practice or event on school property;

$\frac{1}{2}$	(2) An automated external defibrillator is freely accessible during all school functions;
3 4	(3) All members of the coaching staff are trained in the operation and us of an automated external defibrillator; and
5 6	(4) A trained member of the coaching staff is present at all athletic practices and events on school property.
7 8	(d) The provisions of a venue–specific emergency action plan for hea acclimatization shall:
9 10 11	(1) <u>Include guidelines for student athletes consistent with the Model Polici for Preseason–Practice Heat Acclimatization Guidelines for Student Athletes established under § 7–434 of this subtitle;</u>
$\frac{12}{3}$	(2) Ensure that each school is properly prepared and equipped to initiat cold water immersion for the treatment of exertional heat stroke;
14 15	(3) Ensure that the cooling modality is readily available to student athlete at all athletic practices and events on school property;
16 17	(4) Ensure that all members of the coaching staff are trained in cold water immersion; and
18 19	(5) Ensure that a trained member of the coaching staff is present at all athletic practices and events on school property.
20 21	(E) (1) EACH VENUE-SPECIFIC EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN SHALL INCLUDE A CARDIAC EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN.
22 23	(2) A <u>CARDIAC EMERGENCY RESPONSE</u> PLAN DEVELOPED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL:
24 25 26 27 28	(I) IDENTIFY THE APPROPRIATE SCHOOL PERSONNEL TO SERVE AS THE CARDIAC EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM TO RESPOND TO INCIDENTS INVOLVING AN INDIVIDUAL EXPERIENCING SUDDEN CARDIAC ARREST OR A SIMILAR LIFE-THREATENING EMERGENCY WHILE ON SCHOOL GROUNDS AT AN ATHLETIC FACILITY;
29 30	(II) IDENTIFY AND COORDINATE COORDINATE WITH FIRST RESPONDERS IN THE LOCAL EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES TO INTEGRATE THE CARDIAG EMERGENCY ACTION DESPONSE BLAN INTO LOCAL EMERGENCY
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RESPONSE PROTOCOLS; AND

$\frac{1}{2}$	(III) INCLUDE, AT MINIMUM, THE FOLLOWING EVIDENCE-BASED CORE ELEMENTS RECOMMENDED BY AN APPROPRIATE NATIONAL ORGANIZATION,
3	INCLUDING THE AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION:
4	1. ESTABLISHMENT OF A CARDIAC EMERGENCY
5	RESPONSE TEAM;
6	2. PROCEDURES FOR ACTIVATING THE CARDIAC
7	EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM DURING INCIDENTS INVOLVING AN INDIVIDUAL
8	EXPERIENCING SUDDEN CARDIAC ARREST OR A SIMILAR LIFE-THREATENING
9	EMERGENCY WHILE ON SCHOOL GROUNDS AT AN ATHLETIC FACILITY; AND
10	3. 2. REQUIRING SPECIFIED SCHOOL PERSONNEL TO HAVE
11	CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION (CPR) TRAINING AND AUTOMATED EXTERNAL
12	DEFIBRILLATOR TRAINING, IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 7-425 OF THIS SUBTITLE,
13	INCLUDING EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM MEMBERS, ATHLETIC COACHING AND
14	TRAINING STAFF, AND SCHOOL NURSES; AND TRAINING IN FIRST AID,
15	CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION (CPR), AND THE OPERATION AND USE OF
16	AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 7–425 OF THIS
17	SUBTITLE, INCLUDING CARDIAC EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM MEMBERS, ATHLETIC
18	COACHING AND TRAINING STAFF, SCHOOL NURSES, AND ANY OTHER INDIVIDUALS
19	IDENTIFIED BY THE CARDIAC EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM.
20	4. PROVIDING FOR THE PLACEMENT OF AUTOMATED
21	EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE COUNTY BOARD'S
22	AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR PROGRAM UNDER § 7-425 OF THIS
23	SUBTITLE.
24	(3) A CARDIAC EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN DEVELOPED UNDER THIS
25	SECTION SHALL BE:
26	(I) POSTED AROUND SCHOOL GROUNDS AND AT EACH
27	ATHLETIC FACILITY AT THE SCHOOL;
28	(II) POSTED ON THE SCHOOL'S WEBSITE AT THE BEGINNING OF
29	EACH SCHOOL YEAR;
30	(III) DISTRIBUTED TO EACH MEMBER OF THE CARDIAC
31	EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM, THE SCHOOL'S ATHLETIC COACHING AND TRAINING
32	STAFF, SCHOOL NURSES, AND OTHER SCHOOL PERSONNEL; AND
33	(IV) PERIODICALLY REHEARSED IN PERSON AND
34	INTERACTIVELY BY THE CARDIAC EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM.

1	(4) (3) EACH PUBLIC YEAR, EACH MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGH
2	SCHOOL SHALL REVIEW AND UPDATE THE CARDIAC EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN EACH
3	YEAR RESPONSE PLAN REQUIRED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION.
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4	(5) A PUBLIC SCHOOL MAY INTEGRATE A CARDIAC EMERGENCY
5	ACTION PLAN INTO AN EXISTING VENUE-SPECIFIC EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN
6	UNDER § 7-451 OF THIS SUBTITLE.
7	SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
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	Approved:
	Governor.
	Governor.
	President of the Senate.
	Speaker of the House of Delegates.
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