
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 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 within the course of study for health for pupils enrolled in middle schools, junior high schools and high schools; requiring private secondary schools to include similar instruction 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 middle schools, junior high schools and high schools, instruction
9 in the administration of cardiopulmonary resuscitation and the use of an automated
10 external defibrillator. The requirements also apply to charter schools that enroll
11 pupils at those grade levels.

12 Existing law requires a private school to provide instruction in the courses of
13 study prescribed by the State Board or courses of study prepared by the private
14 school and approved by the State Board. (NRS 394.130) **Section 3** of this bill



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15 requires a private secondary school which provides a course of study in health to
16 include in the course of study instruction in the administration of cardiopulmonary
17 resuscitation and the use of an automated external defibrillator for the grade levels
18 determined by the private school.

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

1 **Section 1.** NRS 389.018 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 389.018 1. The following subjects are designated as the core
3 academic subjects that must be taught, as applicable for grade
4 levels, in all public schools, the Caliente Youth Center, the Nevada
5 Youth Training Center and any other state facility for the detention
6 of children that is operated pursuant to title 5 of NRS:

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

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

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

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

25 ↪ A pupil is not required to enroll in the courses of study and
26 credits required by this subsection if the pupil, the parent or legal
27 guardian of the pupil and an administrator or a counselor at the
28 school in which the pupil is enrolled mutually agree to a modified
29 course of study for the pupil and that modified course of study
30 satisfies at least the requirements for a standard high school diploma
31 or an adjusted diploma, as applicable.

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



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

5 ➔ If the State Board requires the completion of course work in a
6 subject area set forth in this subsection for graduation from high
7 school or promotion to the next grade, a public school shall offer the
8 required course work. ~~Unless~~ *Except as otherwise provided for a*
9 *course of study in health required by subsection 1 of NRS*
10 *389.0185, unless* a subject is required for graduation from high
11 school or promotion to the next grade, a charter school is not
12 required to comply with this subsection.

13 **Sec. 2.** NRS 389.0185 is hereby amended to read as follows:
14 389.0185 The State Board shall adopt regulations establishing
15 courses of study and the grade levels for which the courses of study
16 apply for:

17 1. The academic subjects set forth in NRS 389.018. *A course*
18 *of study in health prescribed pursuant to paragraph (c) of*
19 *subsection 3 of NRS 389.018 must, for pupils enrolled in middle*
20 *school, junior high school and high school, including, without*
21 *limitation, pupils enrolled in those grade levels at a charter school,*
22 *include instruction in:*

23 (a) *The administration of cardiopulmonary resuscitation*
24 *according to the guidelines of the American National Red Cross or*
25 *American Heart Association; and*

26 (b) *The use of an automated external defibrillator.*

27 2. Citizenship and physical training for pupils enrolled in high
28 school.

29 3. Physiology, hygiene and , *except as otherwise required by*
30 *subsection 1*, cardiopulmonary resuscitation.

31 4. The prevention of suicide.

32 5. Instruction relating to child abuse.

33 6. The economics of the American system of free enterprise.

34 7. American Sign Language.

35 8. Environmental education.

36 9. Adult roles and responsibilities.

37 ➔ A course of study established for subsection 1 may include one or
38 more of the subjects listed in subsections 2 to 9, inclusive.

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

40 394.130 1. In order to secure uniform and standard work for
41 pupils in private schools in this State, instruction in the subjects
42 required by law for pupils in the public schools shall be required of
43 pupils receiving instruction in such private schools, either under the
44 regular state courses of study prescribed by the ~~State~~ Board ~~of~~



1 ~~Education~~ or under courses of study prepared by such private
2 schools and approved by the ~~State~~ Board. ~~of Education.~~

3 2. *A course of study in health provided at a private secondary*
4 *school must include, for the grade levels determined by the private*
5 *school, instruction in:*

6 (a) *The administration of cardiopulmonary resuscitation*
7 *according to the guidelines of the American National Red Cross or*
8 *American Heart Association; and*

9 (b) *The use of an automated external defibrillator.*

10 3. Such private schools shall be required to furnish from time
11 to time such reports as the Superintendent of Public Instruction may
12 find necessary as to enrollment, attendance and general progress
13 within such schools.

14 ~~3-1~~ 4. Nothing in this section shall be so construed as:

15 (a) To interfere with the right of the proper authorities having
16 charge of private schools to give religious instruction to the pupils
17 enrolled therein.

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

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

