

HB0836/733822/1

BY: Ways and Means Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 836
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, strike “**Reports**” and substitute “**Emergency Action Plans**”; strike beginning with “requiring” in line 4 down through “year;” in line 6; in line 9, after “athletes;” insert “requiring the State Board of Education to develop and implement a certain educational program for student athletes; requiring middle schools and high schools to develop venue-specific emergency action plans for the operation and use of automatic external defibrillators, heat acclimatization, and coordination of care for other emergent injuries and severe weather for outdoor facilities;”; strike in their entirety lines 11 through 15, inclusive; and after line 20, insert:

“BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 7-450

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2018 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On pages 1 and 2, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 24 on page 1 through line 23 on page 2, inclusive.

On page 2, strike in their entirety lines 25 and 26; in line 27, strike the brackets; in the same line, strike “**(B)**”; and in the same line, strike “(1)”.

On page 3, strike in their entirety lines 1 through 20, inclusive; in line 21, strike the brackets; in the same line, strike “**(C)**”; and after line 26, insert:

“(C) EACH MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL SHALL DEVELOP A VENUE-SPECIFIC EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN FOR THE OPERATION AND USE OF AUTOMATIC EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS THAT MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF § 7-450 OF THIS SUBTITLE.”.

On page 4, in line 20, after “athletes” insert **“CONSISTENT WITH THE MODEL POLICY FOR PRESEASON-PRACTICE HEAT ACCLIMATIZATION GUIDELINES FOR STUDENT ATHLETES ESTABLISHED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION”.**

On pages 4 and 5, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 24 on page 4 through line 8 on page 5, inclusive.

On page 5, after line 8, insert:

“(D) EACH MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL SHALL DEVELOP A VENUE-SPECIFIC EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN FOR HEAT ACCLIMATIZATION THAT MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF § 7-450 OF THIS SUBTITLE.”

7-450.

(A) (1) EACH MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL SHALL DEVELOP A VENUE-SPECIFIC EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN FOR ALL ATHLETIC FACILITIES.

(2) A VENUE-SPECIFIC EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN INCLUDES:

(I) THE OPERATION AND USE OF AUTOMATIC EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 7-425 OF THIS SUBTITLE;

(II) HEAT ACCLIMATIZATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 7-434 OF THIS SUBTITLE; AND

(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.

(B) A VENUE-SPECIFIC EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN DEVELOPED UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE:

(1) POSTED AT EACH ATHLETIC FACILITY AT THE SCHOOL;

(2) AVAILABLE ON THE SCHOOL'S WEBSITE FOR VIEWING BY A STUDENT ATHLETE'S PARENT OR GUARDIAN AT THE BEGINNING OF EACH SCHOOL YEAR;

(3) DISTRIBUTED TO EACH MEMBER OF THE COACHING STAFF;

AND

(4) REHEARSED IN PERSON AND INTERACTIVELY BY ALL OF THE COACHING STAFF OF EACH SPORT BEFORE EACH OF THEIR RESPECTIVE SEASONS.

(C) THE PROVISIONS OF A VENUE-SPECIFIC EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN FOR THE OPERATION AND USE OF AUTOMATIC EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS SHALL ENSURE THAT:

(Over)

(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;

(2) AN AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR IS FREELY ACCESSIBLE DURING ALL SCHOOL FUNCTIONS;

(3) ALL MEMBERS OF THE COACHING STAFF ARE TRAINED IN THE OPERATION AND USE OF AN AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR; AND

(4) A TRAINED MEMBER OF THE COACHING STAFF IS PRESENT AT ALL ATHLETIC PRACTICES AND EVENTS ON SCHOOL PROPERTY.

(D) THE PROVISIONS OF A VENUE-SPECIFIC EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN FOR HEAT ACCLIMATIZATION SHALL:

(1) INCLUDE GUIDELINES FOR STUDENT ATHLETES CONSISTENT WITH THE MODEL POLICY FOR PRESEASON-PRACTICE HEAT ACCLIMATIZATION GUIDELINES FOR STUDENT ATHLETES ESTABLISHED UNDER § 7-434 OF THIS SUBTITLE;

(2) ENSURE THAT EACH SCHOOL IS PROPERLY PREPARED AND EQUIPPED TO INITIATE COLD WATER IMMERSION FOR THE TREATMENT OF EXERTIONAL HEAT STROKE;

(3) ENSURE THAT THE COOLING MODALITY IS READILY AVAILABLE TO STUDENT ATHLETES AT ALL ATHLETIC PRACTICES AND EVENTS ON SCHOOL PROPERTY;

(4) ENSURE THAT ALL MEMBERS OF THE COACHING STAFF ARE TRAINED IN COLD WATER IMMERSION; AND

(5) ENSURE THAT A TRAINED MEMBER OF THE COACHING STAFF IS PRESENT AT ALL ATHLETIC PRACTICES AND EVENTS ON SCHOOL PROPERTY.”