

1-1 By: Alvarado, Campbell, Paxton S.B. No. 865
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed January 22, 2025; February 13, 2025,
1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Education K-16;
1-4 April 30, 2025, reported adversely, with favorable Committee
1-5 Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 11, Nays 0; April 30, 2025,
1-6 sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

1-8	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-9	Creighton	X		
1-10	Campbell	X		
1-11	Bettencourt	X		
1-12	Hagenbuch	X		
1-13	Hinojosa of Nueces	X		
1-14	King	X		
1-15	Menéndez	X		
1-16	Middleton	X		
1-17	Parker	X		
1-18	Paxton	X		
1-19	West	X		

1-20 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 865 By: Paxton

1-21 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-22 AN ACT

1-23 relating to instruction in cardiopulmonary resuscitation and the
1-24 use of automated external defibrillators for school district,
1-25 private school, and open-enrollment charter school employees and
1-26 volunteers.

1-27 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-28 SECTION 1. Sections 22.902(c) and (e), Education Code, are
1-29 amended to read as follows:

1-30 (c) Each school nurse, assistant school nurse, athletic
1-31 coach or sponsor, physical education instructor, marching band
1-32 director, cheerleading coach, and any other school employee
1-33 specified by the commissioner and each student who serves as an
1-34 athletic trainer must participate in the instruction in
1-35 cardiopulmonary resuscitation and [in] the use of an automated
1-36 external defibrillator. A person described by this subsection must
1-37 receive and maintain certification in cardiopulmonary
1-38 resuscitation and the use of an automated external defibrillator
1-39 from the American Heart Association, the American Red Cross, or a
1-40 similar nationally recognized association.

1-41 (e) A [This subsection applies only to a] private school
1-42 that receives an automated external defibrillator from the agency
1-43 or receives funding from the agency to purchase or lease an
1-44 automated external defibrillator or an open-enrollment charter
1-45 school[. A private school] shall adopt a policy under which the
1-46 school makes available to school employees and volunteer nurses
1-47 [volunteers] instruction in the principles and techniques of
1-48 cardiopulmonary resuscitation and the use of an automated external
1-49 defibrillator. The policy must comply with the requirements
1-50 prescribed by this section and commissioner rules adopted under
1-51 this section, including the requirements prescribed by Subsection
1-52 (c).

1-53 SECTION 2. This Act applies beginning with the 2025-2026
1-54 school year.

1-55 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
1-56 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
1-57 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
1-58 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
1-59 Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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