

ENROLLED SENATE
BILL NO. 618

By: Easley of the Senate

and

Sherrer, Shelton, Harrison,
McDaniel, Deutschendorf,
Askins, Dorman, Hilliard,
Sullivan and Denney of the
House

An Act relating to schools; amending 70 O.S. 2001, Section 1210.199, which relates to cardiopulmonary resuscitation instruction; providing short title; requiring school districts to ensure minimum number of teachers and staff receive certain training each year; prohibiting certain construction of law; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2001, Section 1210.199, is amended to read as follows:

Section 1210.199 A. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Dustin Rhodes and Lindsay Steed CPR Training Act".

B. All students enrolled in physical education in classes in grades nine through twelve in the public schools of this state may receive instruction in the techniques of cardiopulmonary resuscitation and the Heimlich maneuver sufficient to enable such the students to give emergency assistance to victims of cardiac arrest or choking.

~~B.~~ C. The State Department of Education may administer the cardiopulmonary resuscitation and the Heimlich maneuver instruction program and train teaching personnel pursuant to rules adopted by the State Board of Education. Teaching materials and training courses provided by the American Red Cross, the American Heart Association and similar organizations may be utilized.

~~C.~~ D. Each public school district board of education shall ensure that a minimum of one certified teacher and one noncertified staff member at each school site receives training in cardiopulmonary resuscitation and the Heimlich maneuver each year.

E. School districts may use state funds allocated to the school district for professional development to pay for or to reimburse

teachers and support personnel for training in the administration of first aid and techniques of cardiopulmonary resuscitation and the Heimlich maneuver.

F. Nothing in this section shall be construed to impose liability on any school district or school district employee for injury or death of any student, teacher, or other person resulting from any cardiopulmonary or choking incident or to absolve any school district or school employee of liability that might otherwise exist under The Governmental Tort Claims Act.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2005.

SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

Passed the Senate the 25th day of May, 2005.

Presiding Officer of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the 27th day of May, 2005.

Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives