

1                   **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2                                   STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3                                   1st Session of the 54th Legislature (2013)

4 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE  
5 FOR  
6 HOUSE BILL NO. 1349

By: Kirby of the House

and

Griffin of the Senate

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11                   An Act relating to public health and safety; defining  
12                   terms; requiring youth sport organization to develop  
13                   certain policies and procedures and to develop  
14                   certain plans; requiring certain training;  
15                   prohibiting certain individual from rejoining  
16                   practice or game until certain evaluation occurs;  
17                   providing for codification; and providing an  
18                   effective date.

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

20                   SECTION 1.           NEW LAW           A new section of law to be codified  
21                   in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1-281 of Title 63, unless there  
22                   is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

23                   As used in this act:

1 1. "Heat illness" means exercise-associated muscle (heat)  
2 cramps, heat syncope, exercise (heat) exhaustion, external heat  
3 stroke, or exertional hyponatremia. These conditions vary in  
4 severity and include, but are not limited to, the symptoms of  
5 involuntary muscle contraction, dehydration, neuromuscular fatigue,  
6 dizziness, fainting, headache, nausea, vomiting, increased body  
7 temperature, disorientation, mood change, aggression, cardiac arrest  
8 and death; and

9 2. "Youth sport organization" means any sport organization  
10 which consists of an activity involving physical exertion and skill  
11 in which an individual or team competes against another or others  
12 and which consists of participants who are under the age of eighteen  
13 (18) years and who require the consent of a parent or guardian prior  
14 to participation and who are not participating as a requirement for  
15 scholarship or academic credit.

16 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
17 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1210.198 of Title 70, unless  
18 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

19 A. Each youth sport organization in this state shall develop  
20 policies and procedures relating to heat illness. Policies shall  
21 reflect current scientifically based research and well-established  
22 national standards. Policies and procedures shall specifically  
23 include:

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1 1. Temperature guidelines for outside activity including but  
2 not limited to physical activity and athletic participation;

3 2. Uniform regulations based on temperature and humidity; and

4 3. Guidelines for heat acclimatization.

5 B. Each youth sport organization shall develop venue-specific  
6 emergency action plans based on well-established national standards  
7 to be used in the event of heat illness and/or medical emergency.

8 The emergency action plans shall include:

9 1. Facility location;

10 2. Personnel duties;

11 3. Emergency vehicle route/entrance;

12 4. Emergency equipment needed;

13 5. Roles of first responders;

14 6. Immediate heat illness detection and care; and

15 7. Postemergency action plans.

16 C. Youth sport organizations shall be required to provide  
17 training to coaches relating to the signs of heat illness and  
18 symptoms.

19 D. A participant who is suspected of having a heat illness  
20 during a youth sport organization practice or game shall be removed  
21 from participation at that time. Such participant may not rejoin  
22 the practice or game until he or she is evaluated by an individual  
23 who is trained in the detection and care of heat illnesses. If the

1 case appears severe, such participant may not rejoin the practice or  
2 game until he or she is evaluated by a licensed healthcare provider  
3 trained in the evaluation and management of heat-related illnesses  
4 and receives written approval from such provider.

5 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2013.

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7 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH, dated 02/06/2013 -  
8 DO PASS, As Amended and Coauthored.

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