

HB 717 -- Use of Automated External Defibrillators

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This bill changes the laws regarding the use of automated external defibrillators. In its main provisions, the bill:

- (1) Specifies that any employee, agent, or volunteer of a school district that administers lifesaving treatment in good faith and in accordance with standard medical practices or in accordance with the instructions for use of an automated external defibrillator will be immune from civil liability;
- (2) Requires any person or entity who acquires an automated external defibrillator to ensure that its users receive training from a nationally recognized course or a training course approved by the Department of Health and Senior Services;
- (3) Removes the provision requiring any person or entity that owns an automated external defibrillator to have a physician review and approve the protocol for its use and review and advise regarding the training of the intended users; and
- (4) Specifies that any person or entity that employs, contracts with, or otherwise designates as an agent a person who uses an automated external defibrillator will be immune from civil liability.