

General Assembly

## Substitute Bill No. 1350

January Session, 2025

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## AN ACT CONCERNING THE AVAILABILITY OF AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS AND REQUIRING CARDIAC EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLANS IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2025) Not later than January 1, 2026, 2 the Department of Education shall establish a grant program to award 3 grants to local and regional boards of education to offset the costs of 4 implementing a cardiac emergency response plan developed pursuant 5 to section 10-212d of the general statutes, including, but not limited to, 6 costs incurred for the purchase and maintenance of automated external 7 defibrillators and training in the use of such automated external 8 defibrillators. Grants shall be awarded (1) on a first-come, first-served 9 basis to each such board of education, except that priority shall be given 10 to a board of education for the purpose of implementing such plan in a 11 priority school, as defined in section 10-16p of the general statutes, and 12 (2) in an amount prescribed by the Commissioner of Education. On or 13 before January 1, 2026, the department shall post in a conspicuous 14 location on its Internet web site (A) a description of such grant program, 15 including, but not limited to, the amount of such grant available to such 16 boards of education, and (B) the application form for such grant 17 program.

Sec. 2. (Effective July 1, 2025) The sum of five hundred twenty-one

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- 19 thousand dollars is appropriated to the Department of Education from
- 20 the General Fund, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, for the grant
- 21 program established pursuant to section 1 of this act.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following		
sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2025	New section
Sec. 2	July 1, 2025	New section

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