

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

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1 July 1, 2025 New section

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