

JAN 21 2026

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO CARDIOVASCULAR SCREENING.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 302A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by adding a new subpart to part II to be appropriately
3 designated and to read as follows:

4 " . Cardiovascular Screening and Sudden Cardiac Arrest

5 **§302A-A Cardiovascular screening for student athletes.**

6 (a) Beginning with the school year, a qualified
7 health care professional who performs a physical examination for
8 student athletes shall include a cardiovascular screening that
9 follows nationally recognized, evidence-based guidelines
10 recommended by organizations focused on cardiovascular care in
11 pediatric populations.

12 (b) The cardiovascular screening shall include the
13 following elements to detect or that raise suspicion for
14 cardiovascular disease:

15 (1) Personal history: Prior elevated systemic blood
16 pressure, unexplained exertional chest pain or





1 (1) The total number of cardiovascular screenings,
2 including utilization and uptake by clinicians;

3 (2) The proportion of positive screenings and follow-up
4 care; and

5 (3) Where possible, data regarding follow-up care,
6 including false positive rates and additional
7 diagnostic studies.

§302A-B Cardiovascular screening for all students. (a)

9 Beginning with the school year, each child shall
10 present to the appropriate school official a report from a
11 qualified health care professional who performs a physical
12 examination as part of an annual well-child visit that includes
13 the results of a cardiovascular screening that follows
14 nationally recognized, evidence-based guidelines recommended by
15 organizations focused on cardiovascular care in pediatric
16 populations.

17 (b) The cardiovascular screening shall include the
18 following elements to detect or that raise suspicion for
19 cardiovascular disease:

20 (1) Personal history: Prior elevated systemic blood
21 pressure, unexplained exertional chest pain or



§302A-C Sudden cardiac arrest; educational and

12 informational materials. (a) In collaboration with the
13 department of health, the department shall distribute to
14 students and their families educational and informational
15 materials that follow evidence-based science about the disease
16 that can cause sudden cardiac arrest.

17 (b) Beginning with the school year, each school
18 district shall annually distribute the educational and
19 informational materials identified in subsection (a) to parents
20 or guardians of students participating in athletics as part of a



1 student athlete's physical examination and permission form
2 requirements.

3 **S302A-D Policies, programs, training, continuing**
4 **education; cardiovascular screening.** The department shall
5 implement policies, programs, training, and continuing education
6 that increase health care provider knowledge of cardiovascular
7 screening guidelines, including:

- 8 (1) How to complete the cardiovascular screening under
9 sections 302A-A and 302A-B, including collecting
10 family history and personal reports of symptoms;
- 11 (2) Identifying early signs of cardiac arrest through
12 physical examination; and
- 13 (3) Referral procedures for positive findings.

14 **S302A-E Rules; cardiovascular care.** The department shall
15 adopt rules pursuant to chapter 91 to implement this subpart.
16 The department may consult with the department of health as
17 needed to adopt rules that follow nationally recognized,
18 evidence-based guidelines recommended by organizations focused
19 on cardiovascular care in pediatric populations."

20 SECTION 2. In codifying the new sections added by section
21 1 of this Act, the revisor of statutes shall substitute



1 appropriate section numbers for the letters used in designating
2 the new sections in this Act.

3 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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INTRODUCED BY: SKS



S.B. NO. 2348

Report Title:

DOE; DOH; Cardiovascular Screening; Sudden Cardiac Arrest; Student Athletes; Public School Students; Educational and Informational Materials; Policies, Programs, Training, and Continuing Education

Description:

Requires cardiovascular screening for students, including student athletes. Requires the Department of Education, in collaboration with the Department of Health, to distribute educational and informational materials regarding sudden cardiac arrest. Requires the Department of Education to implement policies, programs, training, and continuing education that increase health care provider knowledge of cardiovascular screening guidelines.

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