

HB 757 -- Coordinated School Health Programs

Sponsor: Grill

This bill authorizes each local school district to develop a coordinated school health program during the 2009-2010 school year and implement it by the next school year. The Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) will establish program guidelines in consultation with the Department of Health and Senior Services. The bill creates the positions of school health coordinator and specialist in physical education within DESE. The coordinator will oversee the implementation of the health programs and provide continuing support for them. The specialist will help with implementation of physical education programs and provide information on professional development for instructors. Each elementary and secondary school district must integrate 90 minutes of physical activity a week into the school day for its students.