

# HOUSE BILL NO. 1487

## 102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE SHIELDS.

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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

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### AN ACT

To amend chapter 160, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to bleeding control kits in public schools.

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*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:*

Section A. Chapter 160, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 160.485, to read as follows:

**160.485. 1. This section shall be known and may be cited as the "Stop the Bleed Act".**

**2. As used in this section, the following terms mean:**

**(1) "Bleeding control kit", a first aid response kit that contains at least the following:**

**(a) Tourniquets that are:**

**a. Endorsed by the United States Department of Defense Committee on Tactical Combat Casualty Care or its successor entity; or**

**b. Approved for use in battlefield trauma care by the Armed Forces of the United States;**

**(b) Bleeding control bandages;**

**(c) Latex-free protective gloves;**

**(d) Permanent markers;**

**(e) Instructional documents developed by the United States Department of Homeland Security's Stop the Bleed national awareness campaign or the American College of Surgeons Committee on Trauma, or both; and**

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets ~~thus~~ in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

17 (f) Other medical materials and equipment similar to those described in  
18 paragraphs (a) and (b) of this subdivision;

19 (2) "Department", the department of elementary and secondary education;

20 (3) "Emergency medical services personnel", paid or volunteer firefighters, law  
21 enforcement officers, first responders, emergency medical technicians, or other  
22 emergency service personnel acting within the ordinary course and scope of those  
23 professions, but excluding physicians;

24 (4) "School personnel", any employee of a public school district or charter  
25 school, or any volunteer serving at a public school or charter school, who is designated  
26 to use a bleeding control kit under this section.

27 3. (1) Before January 1, 2025, the department shall develop a traumatic blood  
28 loss protocol for school personnel to follow in the event of an injury involving traumatic  
29 blood loss. The protocol shall meet the requirements of this section and shall be made  
30 available to each school district and charter school.

31 (2) The traumatic blood loss protocol shall:

32 (a) Require that a bleeding control kit be placed in areas where there is likely to  
33 be high traffic or congregation, such as auditoriums, cafeterias, or gymnasiums, and  
34 areas where risk of injury may be elevated, including vocational classes such as  
35 woodworking or automotive classes, of each school district's school building and each  
36 charter school in an easily accessible location of such areas to be determined by local  
37 emergency medical services personnel;

38 (b) Include bleeding control kits in the emergency plans of each school district  
39 and charter school, including the presentation and use of the bleeding control kits in all  
40 drills and emergencies;

41 (c) Require each school district and charter school to designate a school nurse or  
42 school health care provider, or if no school nurse or school health care provider is  
43 available, a school personnel member, in each school building who shall obtain  
44 appropriate training annually in the use of a bleeding control kit including, but not  
45 limited to:

- 46 a. The proper application of pressure to stop bleeding;  
47 b. The proper application of dressings or bandages;  
48 c. Additional pressure techniques to control bleeding; and  
49 d. The correct application of tourniquets;

50 (d) Require each bleeding control kit in school inventories to be inspected  
51 annually to ensure that the materials, supplies, and equipment contained in the bleeding  
52 control kit have not expired and that any expired materials, supplies, and equipment are  
53 replaced as necessary; and

54 (e) Require a bleeding control kit to be restocked after each use and any  
55 materials, supplies, and equipment to be replaced as necessary to ensure that the  
56 bleeding control kit contains all necessary materials, supplies, and equipment.

57 4. (1) The department shall, in collaboration with the United States Department  
58 of Homeland Security and the state department of public safety, include requirements in  
59 the traumatic blood loss protocol for school personnel to receive annual training in the  
60 use of bleeding control kits.

61 (2) The training requirements shall be satisfied by successful completion and  
62 certification under the "STOP THE BLEED" course as promulgated by the American  
63 College of Surgeons Committee on Trauma or the American Red Cross.

64 (3) The training requirements may allow online instruction.

65 5. (1) A bleeding control kit may contain any additional items that:

66 (a) Are approved by emergency medical services personnel, as such term is  
67 defined in section 190.600;

68 (b) Can adequately treat an injury involving traumatic blood loss; and

69 (c) Can be stored in a readily available kit.

70 (2) Quantities of each item required to be in a bleeding control kit may be  
71 determined by each school district.

72 6. (1) The department and each school district and charter school shall maintain  
73 information regarding the traumatic blood loss protocol and the Stop the Bleed national  
74 awareness campaign on each entity's website.

75 (2) Upon request by a school district or a charter school, the department may, in  
76 collaboration with the department of public safety, direct the school district or charter  
77 school to resources that are available to provide bleeding control kits to the school  
78 district or charter school.

79 7. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, each school district and  
80 charter school shall implement the traumatic blood loss protocol developed under this  
81 section before the end of the 2024-25 school year.

82 (2) The requirements that a bleeding control kit be placed as required in  
83 paragraph (a) of subdivision (2) of subsection 3 of this section, that each kit be restocked  
84 as necessary, and that school personnel receive training under this section shall be  
85 subject to an appropriation to cover all costs related to such requirements by the general  
86 assembly.

87 (3) Any school district or charter school may receive donations of funds for the  
88 purchase of bleeding control kits that meet the requirements of this section and may  
89 receive donations of bleeding control kits that meet the requirements of this section.

90           **8. This section shall not be construed to create a cause of action against a school**  
91 **district, a charter school, or any school personnel. Any school personnel who in good**  
92 **faith use a bleeding control kit as provided by this section shall be immune from all civil**  
93 **liability for any act or omission in the use of a bleeding control kit unless the act or**  
94 **omission constitutes gross negligence or willful, wanton, or intentional misconduct.**

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