# COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

#### **FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. No.: 0265H.01I Bill No.: HB 232

Subject: Education, Elementary and Secondary; Department of Elementary and Secondary

Education; Emergencies

Type: Original

Date: February 16, 2025

Bill Summary: This proposal requires schools to establish cardiac emergency response

plans.

# **FISCAL SUMMARY**

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND					
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028		
<b>Total Estimated Net</b>					
<b>Effect on General</b>					
Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0		

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS					
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028		
<b>Total Estimated Net</b>					
Effect on Other State					
Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0		

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS					
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028		
<b>Total Estimated Net</b>					
Effect on All Federal					
Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0		

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)					
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028		
<b>Total Estimated Net</b>					
Effect on FTE	0	0	0		

Estimated Net Effect (expenditures or reduced revenues) expected to exceed \$250,000 in any of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act or at full implementation of the act.
Estimated Net Effect (savings or increased revenues) expected to exceed \$250,000 in any of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act or at full implementation of the act.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS						
FUND AFFECTED FY 2026 FY 2027 F						
<b>Local Government</b>	(Unknown)	(Unknown, Could exceed \$1,204,000)	(Unknown)			

<sup>\*</sup>Costs to school districts for the establishment of cardiac emergency response teams and the placement of automated external defibrillators (AEDs) throughout the school campuses.

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## **FISCAL ANALYSIS**

#### **ASSUMPTION**

Section 160.482 Cardiac Emergency Response Plans

Officials from the **Department of Elementary and Secondary Education** assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their organization. **Oversight** does not have any information to the contrary. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a zero impact in the fiscal note for this agency.

Officials from the **Kansas City Police Department** and **St. Louis County Police Department** both assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their organizations. **Oversight** does not have any information to the contrary. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a zero impact in the fiscal note.

In response to similar legislation, HB 1991 (2024), officials from the **Phelps County Sheriff** assumed the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their organizations. **Oversight** does not have any information to the contrary. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a zero impact in the fiscal note.

**Oversight** notes the proposal specifies certain guidelines that a cardiac emergency response plan shall integrate, including the establishment of a cardiac emergency response team and the placement of automated external defibrillators (AEDs) throughout the school campus. Based on a brief review, AEDs range in cost from \$1,000 to \$3,000. Oversight assumes if 50% of the 2,408 public school buildings installed AEDS, the cost is estimated at \$1,204,000 using the lower end of the price range (\$1,000 \* 1,204). **Oversight** will show a cost that could exceed \$1,204,000 to install AEDs in FY 2027. This amount does not include costs for maintenance, accessories, or staff training.

Regular maintenance costs, including those for replacing batteries, pads, and other supplies as required are difficult to determine and will vary by device and manufacturer specifications. Therefore, Oversight will reflect an unknown cost in FY 28 to replace, maintain or repair AEDs to the school districts on the fiscal note.

This proposal also requires the appropriate school personnel shall be certified in first aid, CPR, and AED use that follow evidence-based guidelines set forth by the American Heart Association or nationally recognized guidelines focused on emergency cardiovascular care. AED training is often provided simultaneously with cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) training. Their costs vary depending on the provider and method of delivery. However, public school employee training costs will vary depending on the implementation decisions and training arrangements school districts make and the number of additional staff that need the training. Therefore, Oversight will show an unknown cost for staff training beginning in FY 2026.

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**Oversight** did not receive any responses from school districts related to the fiscal impact of this proposal. Oversight has presented this fiscal note on the best current information available. Upon the receipt of additional responses, Oversight will review to determine if an updated fiscal note should be prepared and seek the necessary approval to publish a new fiscal note. Oversight only reflects the responses received from state agencies and political subdivisions; however, school districts were requested to respond to this proposed legislation but did not. A listing of political subdivisions included in the Missouri Legislative Information System (MOLIS) database is available upon request.

FISCAL IMPACT – State Government	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028
	(10 Mo.)		
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON PUBLIC SCHOOLS	(Unknown)	(Unknown, Could exceed \$1,204,000)	(Unknown)
Costs – First aid, CPR, AED training - §160.482.6	(Unknown)	(Unknown)	(Unknown)
Costs – AED maintenance and repairs - §160.482.4(3)	\$0	\$0	(Unknown)
Costs - to install AEDs in public schools - §160.482.4(3)	\$0	(Unknown, Could exceed \$1,204,000)	\$0
PUBLIC SCHOOLS	(10 Mo.)		
FISCAL IMPACT – Local Government	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028

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## FISCAL IMPACT – Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

#### FISCAL DESCRIPTION

Beginning with the 2026-27 school year, and all subsequent school years, this bill requires every public school to develop and implement a cardiac emergency response plan that addresses the appropriate use of school personnel to respond to incidents involving an individual experiencing sudden cardiac arrest or a similar life-threatening emergency while on a school campus. A public school with an athletic department or organized athletic program must develop and implement a plan specific to life threatening emergencies that may occur at an extracurricular event or school-sponsored event on campus.

Members of each public school's administration will coordinate with local emergency services providers to integrate the public school's cardiac emergency response plan into the local emergency services providers' protocols. A cardiac emergency response plan must integrate evidence-based core elements, such as those recommended by the American Heart Association guidelines, Project ADAM, or another set of nationally recognized, evidence-based standard or core elements.

The bill specifies certain guidelines that a cardiac emergency response plan must integrate, including the establishment of a cardiac emergency response team and the placement of automated external defibrillators (AEDs) throughout the school campus. Appropriate AED placement will be dictated by the cardiac emergency response plan and in accordance with guidelines set by the American Heart Association or another set of nationally recognized guidelines.

Appropriate school personnel will be trained in first aid, CPR, and AED use following evidence-based guidelines set forth by the American Heart Association or nationally recognized guidelines. The school personnel required to be trained will be determined by the cardiac emergency response plan and include, but not be limited to, athletics coaches, school nurses, and athletic trainers.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

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# **SOURCES OF INFORMATION**

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