HB 266 -- BLEEDING CONTROL KITS

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This bill establishes the "Stop the Bleed Act", defines "bleeding control kit" and requires the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) to develop a traumatic blood loss protocol for school personnel by January 1, 2026.

The bill outlines the specific requirements for the blood loss protocol which must include that a bleeding control kit be placed in areas where there is likely to be high traffic or congregation, and areas where risk of injury may be elevated.

Additionally, each district must designate a school nurse or school health care provider, or if no school nurse or school health care provider is available, a school personnel member to receive annual training on the use of a blood control kit.

The bill requires DESE and each school district and charter school to maintain information regarding the traumatic blood loss protocol and the Stop the Bleed national awareness campaign on their respective websites.

This bill is the same as HB 1487 (2024) and HB 116 from (2023).