

CHAPTER NO. 808

SENATE BILL NO. 2525

By Ramsey, Haun, Cohen, Cooper, McNally, Burks

Substituted for: House Bill No. 2105

By Black

AN ACT To amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 5 and Title 68, Chapter 140, Part 5, relative to administration of glucagon in emergency situations.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-5-415, is amended by redesignating subsections (a)(1) – (6), (b), (c), and (d) to be subdivisions (a)(1)(A) – (F), (2), (3), and (4), respectively, and by adding a new subsection (b), as follows:

(b) In addition to the assistance with self-administration of medications provided for in subsection (a), school personnel who volunteer under no duress or pressure and who have been properly trained by a registered nurse employed or contracted by the local education agency may administer glucagon in emergency situations to a student based on that student's individual health plan (IHP). However, if a public school nurse is available and on site, the nurse shall provide this service to the student. The public school nurse employed or contracted by the local education agency shall be responsible for updating and maintaining each IHP. The Department of Health and the Department of Education shall jointly amend current "Guidelines for Use of Health Care Professionals and Health Procedures in a School Setting" to reflect the appropriate procedures for use by registered nurses in training volunteer school personnel to administer glucagon. The Board of Nursing must be afforded the opportunity to review and comment on the guidelines before they take effect and any training begins. The guidelines developed must be used uniformly by all local education agencies which choose to allow volunteer school personnel to administer glucagon. Training to administer glucagon shall be repeated annually and competencies shall be documented in the employee's personnel file. The provisions of subsection (a)(3) of this section regarding protection from liability shall apply also to the volunteers who provide services pursuant to this subsection and the registered nurses who provide their training.

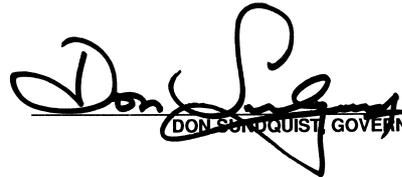
SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 29, 2002


JOHN S. WILDER
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE


JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 11th day of June 2002


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