

ARKANSAS SENATE
85th General Assembly - Regular Session, 2005
Amendment Form

Subtitle of Senate Bill No. 1097

"AN ACT PERTAINING TO THE MEDICAL CRITERIA FOR CERTAIN HEALTH
CONDITIONS."

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 1097.

Amend Senate Bill No. 1097 as originally introduced:

Delete the Title and substitute the following:

"AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE MODEL SCHOOL WELLNESS PROGRAM WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES. "

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety and substitute:

"AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE MODEL SCHOOL WELLNESS PROGRAM WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH. "

AND

Delete everything after the enacting clause and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. Model School Wellness Program.

(a)(1)(A) The Department of Health shall establish a "Model School Wellness Program".

(B) Any moneys appropriated by the General Assembly for this program shall be used by selected school districts to establish school-based pilot programs that focus on encouraging students to establish and maintain healthy lifestyles.

(2) These programs shall include tobacco prevention education and the promotion of balanced dietary patterns and physical activity to prevent becoming overweight or obese, and discussion of serious and chronic medical conditions that are associated with being overweight.

(3) The content of these programs shall address state and national standards and guidelines established by the No Child Left Behind Act, the Healthy People 2010 Leading Health Indicators as compiled by the National Center for Health Statistics, and the Produce for Better Health Foundation's "5 A Day, The Color Way" program.

(b)(1) School districts may apply for grants under this section.

(2)(A) The Department of Health shall establish selection criterion and methods for distribution of funds to school districts applying for such funds.

(B) The department shall promulgate rules to implement the provisions of this section.

(c)(1) A school district that receives a grant under this section shall use the funds to plan and implement the program in a diverse sampling of schools in each district.

(2) The programs shall address students' academic success as well as health concerns, and encourage links between the school and home settings to promote active healthy lifestyles across the students' learning environments.

(3)(A) The tobacco prevention initiative shall focus on grades four (4) and five (5) to target students before they transition into middle grades.

(B) The obesity prevention programs will cover sequential wellness education across grades kindergarten through fifth grades.

(4) These programs shall:

(A) Be multidisciplinary, addressing academic standards in language arts, math, and health;

(B) Provide multimedia resources that engage the students;

(C) Be evidence-based showing successful implementation including positive changes in desired outcomes, such as changes in body mass index or attitudes towards tobacco use;

(D) Be able to be integrated into the core classroom at the elementary level; and

(E) Be sustainable and provide open web-based resources to teachers and students across Arkansas."

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended and read the second time and _____

By: Senator Womack

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