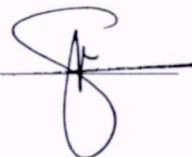


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**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

The knowledge in first aid is an important life skill that effectively reduces fatalities and enables the faster treatment of injuries. Everyone must have a knowledge of such because most people will eventually find themselves in a situation which would need first aid skills for themselves or for other people. Simply, its benefits extend beyond one's self.

According to Red Cross, almost 16,000 people die from preventable injuries everyday around the world. Due to this, school children must be taught first aid primarily because its objectives according to some experts are to preserve life, prevent illness or injury becoming worse, relieve pain, if possible, promote recovery and protect the unconscious.

This bill seeks to mandate the Department of Education (DepEd) to incorporate basic first aid in the Physical Education (P.E.) subject in elementary and secondary school curriculum in both public and private schools in the country.

In view of the foregoing, early passage of this bill is earnestly requested.



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*Be it enacted by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:*

1 SECTION 1. *Short Title.* — This Act shall be known as the "First Aid in School  
2 Act of 2019."

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4 SECTION 2. *Declaration of Policy.* — It is hereby declared the policy of the  
5 State to protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill health  
6 consciousness among them. Toward this end, every child must be taught basic first  
7 aid to help them to stay safe, and equip them with the necessary skills in order to  
8 save lives in emergency situations.

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10 SECTION 3. *Mandate.* — The Department of Education (DepEd) is hereby  
11 mandated to incorporate Basic First Aid in the Physical Education (P.E.) subject in  
12 elementary and secondary school curriculum in both public and private schools.

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14 SECTION 4. *Rules and Regulations.* — The DepEd shall promulgate necessary  
15 rules and regulations to implement this Act.

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17 SECTION 5. *Effectivity.* This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its  
18 publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

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20 *Approved,*