

THE FLORIDA SENATE
2026 SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION PASSED
Committee on Health Policy

CS/HB 1201 — Student Health and Safety

by Student Academic Success Subcommittee and Reps. Mooney, Blanco, and others (CS/SB 186 by Health Policy Committee and Senators Garcia and Jones)

The bill modifies statutory requirements for public schools to provide epilepsy or seizure disorder care to students.

The bill specifies that “school” includes a charter school and provides that written orders from a student’s physician or other medical professional regarding services to be provided by a school if that student has epilepsy or a seizure disorder, may be in a form determined by the medical professional.

The bill also amends school employee training requirements to specify that the requirement for a school employee to complete training for the care of a student with epilepsy and seizure disorders (if the employee’s duties include regular contact with such student) applies to each school *district* employee and charter school employee who meets that criterion (as opposed to each “school employee” as in preexisting law). The bill provides that such employees include any employee who teaches or transports the student to and from school or school activities. The bill provides that the completion of such training is valid for five years.

The bill requires each public school to display a poster developed by the Department of Education which describes the basic steps of responding to an individual having a seizure.

Finally, the bill directs the Department of Health, as part of its preexisting duties to institute and maintain an educational program among physicians, hospitals, county health departments, and the public concerning epilepsy, to include certain education and training requirements. Those requirements are specific to public schools and school personnel.

If approved by the Governor, or allowed to become law without the Governor's signature, these provisions take effect on July 1, 2026.

Vote: Senate 37-0; House 112-0