Committee on Education Pre-K -12

CS/CS/CS/HB 597 — Diabetes Management in Schools

by Education & Employment Committee; Health Professions & Programs Subcommittee; Education Administration Subcommittee; and Rep. Smith and others (CS/SB 772 by Education Pre-K – 12 Committee and Senator Calatayud)

The bill (Chapter 2025-15, L.O.F.) authorizes school districts or public schools to acquire and maintain a supply of undesignated glucagon and requires that undesignated glucagon be stored in a secure location that is immediately accessible to authorized personnel. The bill authorizes school districts or public schools to enter into arrangements with manufacturers or suppliers to obtain glucagon free of charge or at a fair market or reduced price and allows school districts or public schools to accept donated or transferred glucagon that meet certain requirements. School districts or public schools may also obtain monetary donations or apply for grants to purchase glucagon.

The bill allows school districts or public schools to request a prescription for glucagon from a county health department and authorizes licensed health care practitioners to prescribe glucagon in the name of the school district or public school. The bill further authorizes licensed pharmacists to dispense glucagon.

The bill requires participating schools to make available undesignated glucagon to be administered as ordered in a student's diabetes medical management plan or by a health care practitioner. The bill requires employees to call for emergency assistance and provide parental notification after the administration of glucagon to a student. The bill provides certain persons and entities with immunity from civil and criminal liability for the appropriate administration of glucagon.

The bill requires the State Board of Education to adopt rules to implement these requirements.

These provisions were approved by the Governor and take effect July 1, 2025.
Vote: Senate 36-0; House 110-0

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