

CHAPTER 102

Substitute for HOUSE BILL No. 2008*

AN ACT concerning epinephrine; relating to the administration thereof; authorizing the maintenance of epinephrine kits.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. (a) The practice of the healing arts shall not be construed to include any person administering epinephrine in emergency situations to a student or a member of a school staff if: (1) The person administering the epinephrine reasonably believes that the student or staff member is exhibiting the signs and symptoms of an anaphylactic reaction; (2) a physician has authorized, in writing, the school to maintain a stock supply of epinephrine; and (3) the epinephrine is administered at school, on school property or at a school-sponsored event.

(b) Any person who gratuitously and in good faith renders emergency care or treatment through the administration of epinephrine to a student or a member of a school staff at school, on school property or at a school-sponsored event shall not be held liable for any civil damages as a result of such care or administration or as a result of any act or failure to act in providing or arranging further medical treatment where the person acts as an ordinary reasonably prudent person would have acted under the same or similar circumstances.

Sec. 2. Any accredited school may maintain an epinephrine kit. An epinephrine kit may consist of one or more doses of epinephrine. Epinephrine from an epinephrine kit shall be used only in emergency situations when the person administering the epinephrine reasonably believes that the signs and symptoms of an anaphylactic reaction are occurring and if administered at school, on school property or at a school-sponsored event. A school may not maintain an epinephrine kit unless the school has consulted with a pharmacist licensed by the state board of pharmacy. The consultant pharmacist shall have supervisory responsibility for maintaining the epinephrine kit. The consultant pharmacist shall be responsible for developing procedures, proper control and accountability for the epinephrine kit. Periodic physical inventory of the epinephrine kit shall be required. An epinephrine kit shall be maintained under the control of the consultant pharmacist.

Sec. 3. The state board of pharmacy may adopt any rules and regulations which the board deems necessary in relation to the maintenance of epinephrine kits under section 2, and amendments thereto.

Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.

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