

House Bill 280

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Part 2 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia  
2 Annotated, relating to competencies and core curriculum, so as to change certain provisions  
3 relating to a prescribed course of study in health and physical education; to provide for  
4 related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 1.**

7 Part 2 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,  
8 relating to competencies and core curriculum, is amended by striking subsection (c) of Code  
9 Section 20-2-142, relating to prescribed courses and the development and dissemination of  
10 instructional materials on the effects of alcohol, and inserting in its place the following:

11 "(c) The State Board of Education shall prescribe a course of study in health and physical  
12 education for all grades and grade levels in the public schools and shall establish minimum  
13 time requirements and standards for its administration. The course shall require that  
14 students in kindergarten through grade 7 participate in a physical education class each day  
15 of the school week. The course shall include instruction concerning the impact of alcohol,  
16 tobacco, and drug use upon health. The course shall also include a developmentally  
17 planned and sequential curriculum that fosters the development of movement skills,  
18 enhances health related fitness, increases students' knowledge, offers direct opportunities  
19 to learn how to work cooperatively in a group setting, and encourages healthy habits and  
20 attitudes for a healthy lifestyle. A physical education course of study shall provide students  
21 with an opportunity for an appropriate amount of daily physical activity. A manual setting  
22 out the details of such courses of study shall be prepared or approved by the State School  
23 Superintendent in cooperation with the Department of Human Resources, the state board,  
24 and such expert advisers as they may choose. The Department of Education is directed to  
25 assemble or develop instructional resources and materials concerning alcohol and drug

1 abuse, taking into consideration technological enhancements available for utilization of  
2 such instructional resources."

3 **SECTION 2.**

4 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.