Amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), entitled “An act relating to the public school system, including certain provisions applicable as well to private and parochial schools; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto,” providing for CPR instruction; further providing for attendance in district to which territory of residence formerly attached; providing for safe schools advocates and for safe schools standing to sue and enforce; further providing for agricultural education; establishing the Pennsylvania Athletic Oversight Council; providing for interscholastic athletics accountability; further providing for transportation, for education empowerment definitions and for lists and districts; and providing for an education empowerment pilot program.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. The act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, is amended by adding a section to read:

Section 1205.4. CPR Instruction.--(a) School entities shall be required to offer a cardiopulmonary resuscitation training (CPR) Class on school premises at least once every three years. The course shall be offered as an option to all employees of the school entity.

(b) Completion of training, including testing of skills and knowledge, shall be documented by the signature and title of a representative of the training entity and shall include the date training was completed. Documentation shall be retained in the facility in that employee’s file. Training shall be conducted by:

(1) the American Red Cross;

(2) the American Heart Association;

(3) an individual certified to conduct CPR training by the American Red Cross, American Heart Association or other certifying agency approved by the Department of Health; or

(4) other certifying agency approved by the Department of Health.

(c) School districts may include this training in the continuing education plan submitted by the district to the Department of Education under section 1205.1.

(d) For purposes of this section, a school entity shall be defined as a local school district, intermediate unit or area vocational-technical school.