

**SENATE . . . . . No. 261**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*James T. Welch*

*To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:*

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to CPR and AED certification for athletic coaches.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*James T. Welch*

*Carolyn C. Dykema*

*8th Middlesex*

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By Mr. Welch, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 261) of James T. Welch and Carolyn C. Dykema for legislation relative to CPR and AED certification for athletic coaches. Education.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. 217 OF 2009-2010.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand Eleven**  
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An Act relative to CPR and AED certification for athletic coaches.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1           SECTION 1. Section 47A of Chapter 71 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008  
2 Official Edition is hereby amended by adding the following sentences:- All coaches shall be  
3 required to have a current certification in cardiopulmonary resuscitation and the use of automatic  
4 external defibrillators from the American Red Cross, American Heart Association or other  
5 agency approved by the department of public health. Such requirement shall not apply to  
6 physically disabled coaches.

7           SECTION 2. This act shall take effect on May 1, 2011.