



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 377

February Session, 2016



**AN ACT CONCERNING THE SCHOOL HEALTH CURRICULUM AND
CANCER AWARENESS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 10-16b of the 2016 supplement to
2 the general statutes, as amended by section 1 of public act 15-94, is
3 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
4 *1, 2016*):

5 (a) In the public schools the program of instruction offered shall
6 include at least the following subject matter, as taught by legally
7 qualified teachers, the arts; career education; consumer education;
8 health and safety, including, but not limited to, human growth and
9 development, nutrition, first aid, including cardiopulmonary
10 resuscitation training in accordance with the provisions of section 10-
11 16qq, disease prevention and cancer awareness, including, but not
12 limited to, age and developmentally appropriate instruction in
13 performing self-examinations for the purposes of screening for breast
14 cancer and testicular cancer, community and consumer health,
15 physical, mental and emotional health, including youth suicide
16 prevention, substance abuse prevention, safety, which shall include the
17 safe use of social media, as defined in section 9-601, and may include
18 the dangers of gang membership, and accident prevention; language
19 arts, including reading, writing, grammar, speaking and spelling;

20 mathematics; physical education; science; social studies, including, but
21 not limited to, citizenship, economics, geography, government and
22 history; computer programming instruction; and in addition, on at
23 least the secondary level, one or more world languages and vocational
24 education. For purposes of this subsection, world languages shall
25 include American Sign Language, provided such subject matter is
26 taught by a qualified instructor under the supervision of a teacher who
27 holds a certificate issued by the State Board of Education. For purposes
28 of this subsection, the "arts" means any form of visual or performing
29 arts, which may include, but not be limited to, dance, music, art and
30 theatre.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2016</i>	10-16b(a)

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Joint Favorable Subst. C/R

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