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PUBLIC ACT SUMMARY



PA 19-60—SB 922

Public Health Committee

**AN ACT ALLOWING STUDENTS TO APPLY SUNSCREEN PRIOR TO
ENGAGING IN OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES**

SUMMARY: This act allows students ages six or older to possess and self-apply over-the-counter sunscreen in schools before outdoor activities, if their parent or guardian gave written authorization to the school nurse.

The act allows local and regional school boards to adopt policies and procedures they determine necessary to implement these provisions. If a board adopts such policies and procedures, a student's self-application of sunscreen must be in accordance with them.

Although prior law did not specifically address sunscreen use in schools, its application was generally subject to the same procedures as other over-the-counter medications. Thus, it could be applied only pursuant to a written order from an authorized health care provider and written authorization from the student's parent or guardian.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2019