



South Carolina
CHAPTER

Resolution on Bill H.3265

Whereas nearly 424,000 out-of-hospital cardiac arrests occur every year in the United States and only 10.4 percent survive;

Whereas less than one-third of out-of-hospital sudden cardiac arrest victims receive bystander CPR;

Whereas effective bystander CPR, provided immediately after sudden cardiac arrest, can double or triple a victim's chance of survival;

Whereas hands-only CPR does not require rescue breathing;

Whereas effective hands-only CPR can be taught in schools in as little as 30 minutes; and

Whereas schools in 20 states, (half of these are Southern states) require CPR be taught to students in middle or high school and where as in 2013, 9,604 South Carolinians died of heart disease; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that the South Carolina Chapter of the American College of Cardiology (SCCACC):

1. endorses H. 3265 "A BILL RELATING TO COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH EDUCATION PROGRAMS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT EACH STUDENT MUST RECEIVE INSTRUCTION IN CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION AT LEAST ONCE DURING THE ENTIRE FOUR YEARS OF GRADES NINE THROUGH TWELVE"; and
2. urges the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina to enact into law, the proposed legislation and that the Governor of South Carolina sign and approve the bill.

By the Council of the SC Chapter of the American College of Cardiology

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