

ONE HUNDRED THIRD LEGISLATURE

SECOND SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 512

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WHEREAS, 89% of people who suffer an out-of-hospital cardiac arrest die because they do not receive immediate cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) from someone on the scene; and

WHEREAS, 88% of cardiac arrests actually occur at home, making it most likely that a person who needs to administer CPR will be attempting to save the life of a loved one; and

WHEREAS, irreversible brain damage occurs after only three minutes of being deprived of oxygen, and irreversible heart damage occurs within twenty minutes of being deprived of oxygen; and

WHEREAS, hands-only CPR can double or even triple a victim's chance of survival, and learning hands-only CPR can take as little time as thirty minutes or less; and

WHEREAS, in the same amount of time it takes to watch a television sitcom, a teacher can give students the CPR skills they need to save someone's life; and

WHEREAS, including CPR as a skill taught to all Nebraska high school students would train thousands of students each year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, SECOND SESSION:

1. That the Legislature supports all Nebraska high school students learning the basic skills of administering cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR).

2. That the Legislature encourages all high schools throughout Nebraska to offer students hands-only CPR training.