



# HOUSE BILL 107: Adopt SUDEP Awareness Week.

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**OVERVIEW:** *House Bill 107 would designate the week beginning on the second Sunday in November of each year as Sudden Unexpected Death in Epilepsy (SUDEP) Awareness Week, and would encourage local boards of education to develop and provide training for school personnel that are responsible for students with epilepsy or otherwise predisposed to seizures.*

**CURRENT LAW:** Chapter 103 of the General Statutes designates various special days, weeks, and months including Arbor Week, Lineman Appreciation Day, Disability History and Awareness Month, and Organ Donation Awareness/Donate Life Month.

Article 25A of Chapter 115C of the General Statutes establishes certain requirements for schools in meeting the health needs of students. These include, among others, the following:

- Authorizing teachers to administer medication prescribed by a doctor upon written request of the parents and to provide emergency health care to students. G.S. 115C-375.1.
- Requiring local boards of education to adopt a policy authorizing a student with asthma or a student subject to anaphylactic reactions to possess and self-administer medication on school property. G.S. 115C-375.2.
- Requiring local boards of education to provide a supply of emergency epinephrine auto-injectors on school property. G.S. 115C-375.2A.

**BILL ANALYSIS:** House Bill 107 would designate the week beginning on the second Sunday in November of each year as SUDEP Awareness Week in North Carolina.

House Bill 107 would also encourage local boards of education to develop and provide seizure awareness training for all teachers and other school personnel who may be responsible for students with epilepsy or students that are otherwise predisposed to seizures.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** This act would be effective when it becomes law.

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