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AB 1766 – All Public Swimming Pools, Where Admission Fees are Charged, Must Now Have an Automated External Defibrillator Onsite.

This bill requires all public swimming pools to have an Automated External Defibrillator (“AED”) onsite. This bill applies to all artificial public swimming pools, as opposed to public lakes or rivers, where an entrance fee is charged. Currently, public agencies are required to provide lifeguards during pool operations. Agencies will now be required to also provide AEDs, which are portable electronic devices used to deliver an electrical shock, or defibrillation, during life-threatening cardiac arrest. The bill also requires the State Department of Education, in consultation with the State Department of Public Health, to issue best practices guidelines for pool safety at K-12 schools.

(AB 1766 amends section 116045 of the Health and Safety Code.)

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