A BILL

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To amend the Healthy Schools Act of 2009 to require that District of Columbia Public Schools and Public Charter Schools provide education on the process of making an anatomical gift, including information about the life-saving and life-enhancing effects of organ, eye, and tissue donation to help students become better informed.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the “Organ, Eye, and Tissue Donation Education Amendment Act of 2019”.

Sec. 2. Section 402 of the Healthy Schools Act of 2009, effective July 27, 2010 (D.C. Law 18-209; D.C. Official Code § 38-824.02), is amended as follows:

(a) A new subsection (b-2) is added to read as follows:

“(b-2) Public Schools and public charter schools shall provide education about organ, eye, and tissue donation to students follows:

(1) Beginning with the 2019-2020 school year, education on the process of making an anatomical gift, with information about the life-saving and life-enhancing effects of organ, eye, and tissue donation shall be included in the health class necessary for graduation.”

“(2) The program of instruction required by this subsection:

(A) Shall be developed by a nationally recognized provider of organ, eye, and tissue donation education; and

(B) May be provided by a school or community-based provider.
(3) A student is not required to register as an organ, eye, and tissue donor to successfully complete the instruction required pursuant to this subsection."

Section 3. Fiscal impact statement.


Section 4. Effective date.

This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), a 30-day period of congressional review as provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(1)), and publication in the District of Columbia Register.