

**House File 2149 - Introduced**

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BY HANUSA

(COMPANION TO SF 2052 BY  
WHITING)

**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act pertaining to instruction in water safety in schools.

2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 256.11, subsection 6, Code 2020, is  
2 amended by adding the following new paragraph:

3 NEW PARAGRAPH. d. In lieu of instruction by a licensed  
4 physical education teacher, instruction for the water safety  
5 component of a physical education course may be provided  
6 by a swim instructor certified by the young men's or young  
7 women's Christian association, the American red cross, or  
8 another nationwide organization that provides swim instructor  
9 certification.

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EXPLANATION

11 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
12 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

13 This bill provides that under the state educational  
14 standards, instruction for the water safety component of a  
15 physical education course may be provided by a swim instructor  
16 certified by the young men's or young women's Christian  
17 association, the American red cross, or another nationwide  
18 organization that provides swim instructor certification in  
19 lieu of instruction by a licensed physical education teacher.