

Dear XX,

My name is XX and I live in XX County. **Talk about how you are affected by epilepsy.** I am also an advocate for the [Epilepsy Foundation Eastern PA](#) a local non-profit that supports those affected by epilepsy in the 18 eastern counties of PA.

Rep. Carol Kazeem has introduced [House Bill 1045](#). This legislation aims to protect the safety of children statewide and put families at ease knowing that every school has trained school personnel who can respond during a seizure.

Epilepsy is a neurological disorder that causes seizures that can occur without warning and is believed to affect:

- 1 in 26 people at some point in their life
- More than 133,000 Pennsylvanians
- Approximately 16,900 Pennsylvanian children
- More people than Cerebral Palsy, Multiple Sclerosis, Parkinson's and Autism combined

This disorder is a lifelong condition that affects people of all ages and backgrounds, but typically first develops during pre-school and elementary school years. Due to the unpredictability regarding when a seizure may occur, it is important that all school professionals know the proper procedures to identify and respond to a seizure in progress.

Current state law permits school nurses and school professional employees to complete training related to responding to a student having a seizure, but the law does not require completion of the training. **Given the serious consequences that could occur from an improper, untrained response, like death and injury, this law should take a step further.**

I hope you will sign on as a cosponsor: <https://www.palegis.us/legislation/bills/2025/hb1045>

Thank you again for your actions to support the epilepsy community in Pennsylvania!

Sincerely,

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