SENATE STAFF ANALYSIS AND ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

(This document is based on the provisions contained in the legislation as of the latest date listed below.)

BILL: CS/ SB 2156

SPONSOR: Education Committee and Senator Diaz de la Portilla

SUBJECT: Florida High School Activities Association

April 10, 2003 DATE: **REVISED**: ANALYST STAFF DIRECTOR REFERENCE ACTION Woodruff Favorable/CS 1. O'Farrell ED 2. 3. _____ 4. 5. 6.

I. Summary:

The bill amends s. 1006.20, F.S., relating to the Florida High School Activities Association. The bill renames the Association as the Florida High School Athletic Association and increases membership on the Board of Directors. Any entity appointing a member to the Board is required to examine the ethnic and demographic composition of the board when selecting a candidate and make appointments that reflect state demographic and population trends. Language relating to medical examinations of students prior to participation in athletic competition is clarified.

Statutory cross references relating to cheerleader safety standards are amended.

The bill repeals obsolete language relating to an examination and resultant report.

This bill amends sections. 1006.18, and 1006.20 and repeals subsection 1006.20(10) of the Florida Statutes.

II. Present Situation:

Section 1006.20, F.S., establishes the Florida High School Activities Association as the governing nonprofit organization of athletics in Florida public schools. Private schools may choose to join if the school desires to compete with public schools in athletic competition.

The organization is specified not to be a state agency as defined in s. 120.52, F.S. The bylaws of the organization are the rules by which high school athletic programs (grades 6 -12) and student athletes at its member schools are governed.

The organizational structure, powers and duties, criteria for committee membership, purposes of committees, and rule adoption procedures are identified in the statute.

III. Effect of Proposed Changes:

The Florida High School Activities Association is renamed the Florida High School Athletic Association. Membership on its Board of Directors is expanded from 15 to 16 to enable the Board to reflect diversity or state population trends.

Language relating to medical examinations of students is clarified. Health care personnel are to appropriately assess student fitness, to ensure a student does not just meet minimum standards.

Obsolete language directing an evaluation and subsequent report is repealed.

The effective date of the bill is July 1, 2003.

IV. Constitutional Issues:

A. Municipality/County Mandates Restrictions:

None.

B. Public Records/Open Meetings Issues:

None.

C. Trust Funds Restrictions:

None.

V. Economic Impact and Fiscal Note:

A. Tax/Fee Issues:

None.

B. Private Sector Impact:

None.

C. Government Sector Impact:

None.

VI. Technical Deficiencies:

The name of the organization remains unchanged in two places in the statutes. These sites are found in sections 1006.18 and 1006.20(1), F.S.

VII. Related Issues:

None.

VIII. Amendments:

None.

This Senate staff analysis does not reflect the intent or official position of the bill's sponsor or the Florida Senate.