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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to interscholastic extracurricular
3 activities; amending ss. 1002.33 and 1006.15, F.S.;
4 authorizing a charter school student to participate in
5 interscholastic extracurricular activities at a
6 private school under certain circumstances; providing
7 an effective date.

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9 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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11 Section 1. Subsection (11) of section 1002.33, Florida
12 Statutes, is amended to read:

13 1002.33 Charter schools.—

14 (11) PARTICIPATION IN INTERSCHOLASTIC EXTRACURRICULAR
15 ACTIVITIES.—A charter school student is eligible to participate
16 in an interscholastic extracurricular activity at the public
17 school to which the student would be otherwise assigned to
18 attend, or may develop an agreement to participate at a private
19 school, pursuant to s. 1006.15(3) (d).

20 Section 2. Paragraph (d) of subsection (3) of section
21 1006.15, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

22 1006.15 Student standards for participation in
23 interscholastic and intrascholastic extracurricular student
24 activities; regulation.—

25 (3)

26 (d) An individual charter school student pursuant to s.
27 1002.33 is eligible to participate at the public school to which
28 the student would be assigned according to district school board
29 attendance area policies or which the student could attend, or

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30 may develop an agreement to participate at a private school, in
31 any interscholastic extracurricular activity of that school,
32 unless such activity is provided by the student's charter
33 school, if the following conditions are met:

34 1. The charter school student must meet the requirements of
35 the charter school education program as determined by the
36 charter school governing board.

37 2. During the period of participation at a school, the
38 charter school student must demonstrate educational progress as
39 required in paragraph (b).

40 3. The charter school student must meet the same residency
41 requirements as other students in the school at which he or she
42 participates.

43 4. The charter school student must meet the same standards
44 of acceptance, behavior, and performance that are required of
45 other students in extracurricular activities.

46 5. The charter school student must register with the school
47 his or her intent to participate in interscholastic
48 extracurricular activities as a representative of the school
49 before the beginning date of the season for the activity in
50 which he or she wishes to participate. A charter school student
51 must be able to participate in curricular activities if that is
52 a requirement for an extracurricular activity.

53 6. A student who transfers from a charter school program to
54 a traditional public school before or during the first grading
55 period of the school year is academically eligible to
56 participate in interscholastic extracurricular activities during
57 the first grading period if the student has a successful
58 evaluation from the previous school year~~7~~ pursuant to

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59 subparagraph 2.

60 7. Any public school or private school student who has been
61 unable to maintain academic eligibility for participation in
62 interscholastic extracurricular activities is ineligible to
63 participate in such activities as a charter school student until
64 the student has successfully completed one grading period in a
65 charter school pursuant to subparagraph 2. to become eligible to
66 participate as a charter school student.

67 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2017.