

Amendment No.

CHAMBER ACTION

Senate

House

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1 Representative Nixon offered the following:

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3 **Amendment (with directory and title amendments)**

4 Remove lines 779-871 and insert:

5 (h) An individual traditional public school student who is
6 eligible to participate in interscholastic extracurricular
7 activities may participate in any such activity at any public
8 school in the school district in which the student resides, or
9 may develop an agreement to participate at a private school,
10 unless such activity is provided by the student's traditional
11 public school.

12 (8) (a) Each approved athletic association under s. 1006.20
13 ~~the Florida High School Athletic Association (FHSAA), in~~

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14 cooperation with each district school board and member private
15 school, shall facilitate a program in which a middle school or
16 high school student who attends a private school shall be
17 eligible to participate in an interscholastic or intrascholastic
18 sport at a member public high school, a member public middle
19 school, ~~or a member 6-12 public school, or a member private~~
20 school, as appropriate for the private school student's grade
21 level to which the student would be assigned according to
22 ~~district school board attendance area policies and procedures or~~
23 ~~which the student could choose to attend pursuant to s. 1002.31,~~
24 ~~provided the public school has not reached capacity as~~
25 ~~determined by the district school board, if:~~

26 1. The private school in which the student is enrolled is
27 not a member of the association ~~FHSAA~~.

28 2. The private school student meets the guidelines for the
29 conduct of the program established by the association's ~~FHSAA's~~
30 board of directors and the district school board or member
31 private school. At a minimum, such guidelines shall provide:

32 ~~a.~~ a deadline for each sport by which the private school
33 student's parents must register with the member ~~public~~ school in
34 writing their intent for their child to participate at that
35 school in the sport.

36 3. The roster for the specific interscholastic or
37 intrascholastic sport in which the private school student would
38 like to participate has not reached the sport's identified

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39 maximum size and the coach for the sport determines that the
40 private school student has the requisite skill and ability to
41 participate.

42 ~~b. Requirements for a private school student to~~
43 ~~participate, including, but not limited to, meeting the same~~
44 ~~standards of eligibility, acceptance, behavior, educational~~
45 ~~progress, and performance which apply to other students~~
46 ~~participating in interscholastic or intrascholastic sports at a~~
47 ~~public school or FHSAA member private school.~~

48 (b) The parents of a private school student participating
49 in a member public school sport under this subsection are
50 responsible for transporting their child to and from the member
51 ~~public~~ school at which the student participates. The private
52 school the student attends, the member public school at which
53 the student participates in a sport, the district school board,
54 and the association FHSAA are exempt from civil liability
55 arising from any injury that occurs to the student during such
56 transportation.

57 (c) For each academic year, a private school student may
58 only participate at the member public school in which the
59 student is first registered under subparagraph (a)2. ~~sub-~~
60 ~~subparagraph (a)2.a.~~ or makes himself or herself a candidate for
61 an athletic team by engaging in a practice.

62 (d) The athletic director of each participating
63 association FHSAA member public school shall maintain the

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64 student records necessary for eligibility, compliance, and
65 participation in the program.

66 (e) Any nonmember ~~non-FHSAA member~~ private school that has
67 a student who wishes to participate in this program must make
68 all student records, including, but not limited to, academic,
69 financial, disciplinary, and attendance records, available upon
70 request of the association ~~FHSAA~~.

71 (f) A student must apply to participate in this program
72 through the association's ~~FHSAA~~ program application process.

73 (g) Only students who are enrolled in ~~non-FHSAA member~~
74 private schools consisting of 125 students or fewer are eligible
75 to participate in the program in any given academic year.

76 (9)(a) A student who transfers to a school during the
77 school year may seek to immediately join an existing team if the
78 roster for the specific interscholastic or intrascholastic
79 extracurricular activity has not reached the activity's
80 identified maximum size and if the coach for the activity
81 determines that the student has the requisite skill and ability
82 to participate. The approved athletic association under s.
83 1006.20 ~~FHSAA~~ and school district or charter school may not
84 declare such a student ineligible because the student did not
85 have the opportunity to comply with qualifying requirements.

86 (10) A student who is participating in an interscholastic
87 or intrascholastic activity at a public school and who transfers
88 from the school during the school year must be permitted to

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89 continue to participate in the activity at the school from which
90 he or she transferred for the remainder of the school year if:

91 (a) During the period of participation in the activity,
92 the student continues to meet the requirements in paragraph
93 (3)(a).

94 (b) The student continues to meet the same standards of
95 acceptance, behavior, and performance that are required of other
96 students participating in the activity, except for enrollment
97 requirements at the school at which the student participates.

98 (c) The parents of the student participating in the
99 activity provide for the transportation of the student to and
100 from the school at which the student participates. The school
101 the student attends, the school at which the student
102 participates in the activity, and the district school board are
103 exempt from civil liability arising from any injury that occurs
104 to the student during such transportation.

105 Section 3. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section
106 1006.195, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

107 1006.195 District school board, charter school authority
108 and responsibility to establish student eligibility regarding
109 participation in interscholastic and intrascholastic
110 extracurricular activities.—Notwithstanding any provision to the
111 contrary in ss. 1006.15, 1006.18, and 1006.20, regarding student
112 eligibility to participate in interscholastic and
113 intrascholastic extracurricular activities:

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114 (1) (a) A district school board must establish, through its
115 code of student conduct, student eligibility standards and
116 related student disciplinary actions regarding student
117 participation in interscholastic and intrascholastic
118 extracurricular activities. The code of student conduct must
119 provide that:

120 1. A student not currently suspended from interscholastic
121 or intrascholastic extracurricular activities, or suspended or
122 expelled from school, pursuant to a district school board's
123 suspension or expulsion powers provided in law, including ss.
124 1006.07, 1006.08, and 1006.09, is eligible to participate in
125 interscholastic and intrascholastic extracurricular activities.

126 2. A student may not participate in a sport if the student
127 participated in that same sport at another school during that
128 school year, unless the student meets the criteria in s. 1006.15
129 (3) (i) ~~s. 1006.15 (3) (h)~~.

130 3. A student's eligibility to participate in any
131 interscholastic or intrascholastic extracurricular activity may
132 not be affected by any alleged recruiting violation until final
133 disposition of the allegation pursuant to s. 1006.20(2) (b).

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Remove lines 653-656 and insert:

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139 Section 2. Paragraph (h) of subsection (3) of section
140 1006.15, Florida Statutes, is redesignated as paragraph (i),
141 paragraphs (c), (d), and (e) of subsection (3), subsection (8),
142 and paragraph (a) of subsection (9) of section 1006.15, Florida
143 Statutes, are amended, and a new paragraph (h) is added to
144 subsection (3) and subsection (10) is added to that section, to
145 read:

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Remove lines 40-49 and insert:

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bylaws; amending s. 1006.15, F.S.; authorizing home

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education students, Florida Virtual School students,

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charter school students, private school students, and

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traditional public school students to participate in

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interscholastic and intrascholastic activities at

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certain schools; revising the requirements for such

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students to participate in such activities; providing

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for the continued participation in such activities by

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certain students who transfer from a public school;

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conforming cross-references and provisions to changes

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made by the act; amending s. 1006.195, F.S.;

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conforming a cross-reference; creating s.

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