

The Florida Senate
HOUSE MESSAGE SUMMARY

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BILL: CS/CS/CS/SB 538

INTRODUCER: Rules Committee; Judiciary Committee; Education Pre-K - 12 Committee; and Senator Simon

SUBJECT: Extracurricular Activities

DATE: March 9, 2026

I. Amendments Contained in Message:

House Amendment 838301 (with body title)

II. Summary of Amendments Contained in Message:

House Amendment - 838301 maintains the provisions in the bill regarding student eligibility and participation requirements for interscholastic and intrascholastic extracurricular activities, the creation of timelines for the appeals process of eligibility determinations, and compensation for athletic coaches and activity sponsors of extracurricular activities.

The amendment modifies a school district's authority to assess activity fees for enrolled and non-enrolled students. The amendment authorizes a school district to assess a fee for enrolled students. The district school board may also adopt a fee schedule for non-enrolled students that is equivalent to the fee assessed to an enrolled student, or a reasonable fee based on the school's costs, not to exceed \$400 per activity. If a school board adopts such a fee schedule for non-enrolled students, the schedule must be approved as an action item. Finally, the amendment specifies that all fees for enrolled and non-enrolled students must be published on the school district website and annually submitted to the Department of Education.