

ARKANSAS SENATE
90th General Assembly - Regular Session, 2015
Amendment Form

Subtitle of Senate Bill No. 331

TO ALLOW FREEDOM OF PARTICIPATION IN INTERSCHOLASTIC SPORTS IN ARKANSAS; AND TO
DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill No. 331

Amend Senate Bill No. 331 as originally introduced:

Delete all language after the enacting clause and substitute the following:

“SECTION 1. DO NOT CODIFY.

(a) The Arkansas Activities Association (AAA) shall allow an AAA member school to play a home school team if the home school team complies with this act.

(b) A home school team shall comply with the AAA rules for student athletes, including rules concerning:

- (1) Age;
- (2) School semesters;
- (3) Scholarships;
- (4) Physical exams;
- (5) Foreign student eligibility; and
- (6) Amateurs.

(c) A coach of a home school team shall comply with AAA rules concerning the certification of home school coaches.

(d)(1) This act does not allow a home school team to participate in an AAA sanctioned:

- (A) Conference;
- (B) Conference tournament;
- (C) District tournament;
- (D) Regional tournament; or
- (E) State tournament or event.

(2) This act does not allow eligibility for a recognition award of championship.

(e) A home school team may participate in the following team sports:

- (1) Basketball;
- (2) Baseball;
- (3) Softball;
- (4) Soccer; and
- (5) Volleyball.

SECTION 2. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the



General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that athletics plays a critical role in the life of students; that allowing home school teams to compete against public school teams in certain sports is important; and that this act is immediately necessary to allow scheduling for the 2015-2016 academic year to proceed. Therefore, an emergency is declared to exist, and this act being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, and safety shall become effective on:

(1) The date of its approval by the Governor;

(2) If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor, the expiration of the period of time during which the Governor may veto the bill; or

(3) If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the veto is overridden, the date the last house overrides the veto."

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended and read the second time and _____

By: Senator J. Hendren

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Secretary