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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1944

By: Representatives Mathis, Rodgers

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO REQUIRE UMPIRES, REFEREES, AND OTHER
OFFICIAL JUDGES OF JUNIOR HIGH OR HIGH SCHOOL
SPORTING EVENTS TO HAVE REGULAR EYE EXAMS AND A HIGH
SCHOOL DIPLOMA OR A GENERAL DEVELOPMENT (GED)
CERTIFICATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. (a) Every umpire, referee, and other official judge of
junior high or high school sporting events shall:

(1) No less than one (1) time every four (4) years, have an eye
exam performed by a licensed optometrist or ophthalmologist designed to measure
vision ranges, and have a vision range that, with correction, is 20/20; and

(2) Have proof of the eye exam upon their person at all sporting
events in which they are performing the function of an umpire, a referee, or
other official judge.

(b) Every umpire, referee, and other official judge of junior high and
high school sporting events shall have a high school diploma or general
education development (GED) certificate.