

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.

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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1097

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT CONCERNING THE PARTICIPATION OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
9 AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS IN SCHOOL ATHLETIC CONFERENCES;  
10 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

12 CONCERNING THE PARTICIPATION OF PUBLIC  
13 SCHOOLS AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS IN SCHOOL  
14 ATHLETIC CONFERENCES.  
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 18, Subchapter 1, is amended  
22 to add an additional section to read as follows:

23 6-18-113. Athletic conferences.

24 (a)(1) The Arkansas Activities Association shall create two (2)  
25 separate:

26 (A) Athletic conference systems for public schools and  
27 private schools; and

28 (B) Play-off and state tournament systems for public  
29 schools and private schools.

30 (2) A public school or an open-enrollment public charter school  
31 shall not participate in an athletic conference system with a private school.

32 (b) The Arkansas Activities Association shall promulgate rules for the  
33 implementation of this section.  
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35 /s/Wooten  
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