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A Bill

SENATE BILL 391

4
5 By: Senator B. King

For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT CONCERNING CHAMPIONSHIP ATHLETIC GAMES HELD
9 BETWEEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS; AND FOR
10 OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

14 CONCERNING CHAMPIONSHIP ATHLETIC GAMES
15 HELD BETWEEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND PRIVATE
16 SCHOOLS.

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

21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 18, Subchapter 1, is amended
22 to add an additional section to read as follows:

23 6-18-114. Athletic activity – State championship.

24 (a) If a public school athletic team that qualifies to play in a state
25 championship game plays against and loses to a private school athletic team
26 in the state championship game, the public school athletic team shall be
27 considered the state champion.

28 (b) This section shall be retroactive in order to apply to a public
29 school athletic team that has played against and lost to a private school
30 athletic team before the effective date of this act.

31 (c) As used in this section, "athletic team" means the public school
32 student or group of public school students who participate in a school-
33 affiliated sport at the public school in which he or she is enrolled.

