

GREEN SHEET REDIGEST

HB 644

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STUDENTS: Authorizes students enrolled in home study programs to participate in public school activities.

DIGEST

Proposed law provides that students enrolled in home study programs may try out for and participate in public school activities at the public school they would otherwise attend based on their residence, including but not limited to extracurricular activities and interscholastic athletics.

Proposed law requires approved home study students to maintain all requirements for participation that a public school student would have to meet in order to participate.

Proposed law further prohibits each public school from being a member of, or participating in any competition sponsored by, any interscholastic extracurricular athletic association or organization that denies eligibility to a student solely on the basis of the student's enrollment in an approved home study program.

(Adds R.S. 17:176.2)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Education to the original bill:

- 1. Add that participation authorized by proposed law is limited to the student's resident school district.

The House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill:

- 1. Provide that participation authorized by proposed law is limited to the public school the student would otherwise attend based on his residence rather than to his resident school district.
- 2. Prohibit schools from being members of, or participating in competition sponsored by, certain athletic associations.

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Education to the reengrossed bill

- 1. Removes previously adopted Senate Education Committee amendments.
- 2. Requires a home study student to maintain all requirements for participation that a public school student would have to meet.
- 3. Prohibits public schools from participating in interscholastic extracurricular athletic association or organization sponsored competitions if they deny eligibility to a student solely because they are a home study student.