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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 128

BY SENATOR BROWN

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STUDENTS. Requests the LHSAA to study current practices of member schools concerning the awarding of athletic letters, jackets, patches, and other indicia to student athletes who are members of a team for at least three years during high school.

1	A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
2	To urge and request the Louisiana High School Athletic Association to study current
3	practices of member high schools relative to the awarding of athletic letters, jackets,
4	patches, and other indicia to student athletes in recognition of team participation in
5	sports for which athletic letters are awarded.
6	WHEREAS, each student athlete who is a member of a high school interscholastic
7	athletic team in Louisiana contributes to the team's overall effort and record; and
8	WHEREAS, in team sports, each win and loss is considered a team win and a team
9	loss; and
10	WHEREAS, if a student athlete has been a member of a team for three years during
11	high school, that athlete should be entitled to the same recognition as his teammates when
12	athletic letters, jackets, and patches, as well as any related award, certificate, and other
13	indicia are awarded; and
14	WHEREAS, implementation of a uniform policy regarding the awarding of athletic
15	letters, jackets, patches, and other indicia is vital to the concepts of fairness and good
16	sportsmanship exhibited by student athletes who are members of high school interscholastic
17	athletic teams in Louisiana.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby

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urge and request the Louisiana High School Athletic Association to study current practices of its member high schools regarding the awarding of athletic letters, jackets, patches, and other indicia to student athletes.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that such study shall include determining the feasibility of establishing a uniform policy to govern the awarding of athletic letters and related jackets, patches, and other indicia in recognition of team participation to be followed by all member schools, including a requirement that a student athlete who has been a member of a team for at least three years during high school shall automatically be eligible to be awarded an athletic letter for the sport in which he participated and to receive any related letters, jackets, patches, and other indicia.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the executive director of the Louisiana High School Athletic Association.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Nancy Vicknair.

DIGEST

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Requests LHSAA to study current practices of member high schools relative to the awarding of athletic letters, jackets, patches, and other indicia to student athletes in recognition of team participation, and to study the feasibility of awarding such jackets, letters, and indicia to a student athlete who has been a member of the team for at least three years during high school.