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AN ACT relating to interscholastic extracurricular activity participation of students enrolled in home schools.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 158 to authorize participation in public school interscholastic extracurricular activities by home-schooled students; establish criteria for participation therein.

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AN ACT relating to interscholastic extracurricular activity participation of students enrolled in home schools.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:*

➔SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 158 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

(1) *As used in this section unless the context requires otherwise:*

(a) *"Home school" means a nonpublic school in which one (1) or more children of not more than two (2) families or households receive full-time supervised academic instruction from a parent, legal guardian, or member of either household; and*

(b) *"Interscholastic extracurricular activity" means participation in a school-authorized band or sports team practice or competition.*

(2) (a) *A student enrolled in a home school is eligible to participate in interscholastic extracurricular activities sponsored by or engaged in by the public school to which the student would be assigned according to district school board attendance policies or which the student could choose to attend pursuant to district open enrollment provisions. A student eligible under this section who is selected to participate in extracurricular activities shall:*

1. *Pay any participation or activity fee in an amount equal to the fee charged to public school participants;*

2. *Adhere to the same standards of behavior, responsibility, performance, and code of conduct as any other participants in the extracurricular activity;*

3. *Adhere to the same academic standards as other participants, with those standards confirmed by appropriate documentation provided by the student to the public school providing the extracurricular activity*

in which the student will participate;

4. Register with the school his or her intent to participate in extracurricular activity as a representative of the school before the beginning date of the semester for the activity in which he or she wishes to participate; and
  5. Comply with the same physical examination, immunization, insurance, age, and semester eligibility requirements as other students participating in the activity.
- (b) A student who transfers from a public school to a home school shall not participate on interscholastic extracurricular teams until twelve (12) months after the date of transfer.
- (c) Transportation of the student to the public school to participate in interscholastic extracurricular activities is the responsibility of the parent, guardian, or student. The student may use the same transportation as other students as long as additional expenses are not incurred by the district.
- (d) A public school shall not discriminate against a student eligible under this section in the selection of interscholastic extracurricular team members.
- (e) A public school team or group shall not be impeded from competing against any other public school team or group solely because the public school team or group includes students eligible under this section.