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The Senate Committee on Education and Youth offered the following substitute to SR 723:

#### A RESOLUTION

1 Encouraging local boards of education, nonpublic elementary and secondary schools,  
2 governing bodies of charter schools, and public recreation facilities to provide certain safety  
3 measures for youth athletes in sport competition; and for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, this resolution shall be known as the "Tre Tre (De'Antre Gregory) Turman  
5 Youth Athlete's Safety Measures Model"; and

6 WHEREAS, thousands of young people each year participate in athletics in Georgia; and

7 WHEREAS, youth athletes undergo medical treatment and hospitalizations for injuries  
8 sustained while participating in organized athletic activities and related competition,  
9 including for the most serious injuries, such as brain and spinal cord injuries; and

10 WHEREAS, all institutions, organizations, and public recreation authorities that organize  
11 youth athletics should protect the health and safety of our youth athletes through the  
12 employment of certain principles.

13 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
14 join together to encourage all institutions, organizations, and public recreation authorities that  
15 organize youth athletics to provide the following safety measures for youth athletes:

- 16 (1) Youth athletes should be coached by individuals who are well trained in sport  
17 specified safety and should be monitored by athletic health care team members.
- 18 (2) Youth athletes should have quality, regular pre-participation examinations, and each  
19 athlete should participate under a comprehensive concussion management plan.
- 20 (3) Youth athletes should participate in sporting activities on safe, clean playing surfaces  
21 in both indoor and outdoor facilities.
- 22 (4) Youth athletes should utilize equipment and uniforms that are safe, fitted  
23 appropriately, and routinely maintained, and have access to appropriate personnel trained  
24 in proper removal of equipment in case of injury.

- 25 (5) Youth athletes should participate safely in all environmental conditions where play  
26 follows approved guidelines and medical policies and procedures, including, but not  
27 limited to, a hydration plan.
- 28 (6) Youth athletes should have a safe playing environment with venue-specific  
29 emergency action plans that are coordinated by the athletic health care team and regularly  
30 rehearsed with local emergency personnel.
- 31 (7) Youth athletes should have privacy of health information and proper referral for  
32 medical, psychosocial, and nutritional counseling.
- 33 (8) Youth athletes should participate in a culture that finds "playing through pain"  
34 unacceptable unless there has been a medical assessment.
- 35 (9) Youth athletes should have immediate, on-site injury assessments with decisions  
36 made by qualified sports medicine professionals.
- 37 (10) Youth athletes should, along with their parents, have the latest information about  
38 the benefits and potential risks of participation in competitive sports, including, but not  
39 limited to, access to statistics on fatalities and catastrophic injuries to youth athletes.
- 40 (11) Youth athletes should play where at least one person in immediate proximity to the  
41 competition has proficiency in cardiopulmonary resuscitation and a defibrillator can be  
42 quickly secured for use.

43 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
44 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the Department of  
45 Education, the Georgia High School Association, the Association County Commissioners of  
46 Georgia, and the Georgia Municipal Association.