

Regular Session, 2012

# ACT No. 587

HOUSE BILL NO. 631

BY REPRESENTATIVE LORUSSO

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 17:176(H), relative to extracurricular interscholastic athletic activities; to  
3 provide for eligibility for participation in extracurricular interscholastic athletic  
4 activities by certain students whose parents are in the uniformed services; to provide  
5 conditions; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 17:176(H) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 §176. Extracurricular activities; interscholastic athletics; participation; standards;  
9 prohibitions; filming or videotaping; definitions

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11 H.(1) Notwithstanding any policy, rule, or regulation of the Louisiana High  
12 School Athletic Association to the contrary, no student otherwise academically  
13 eligible to participate in an extracurricular interscholastic athletic activity shall be  
14 determined ineligible for or otherwise prohibited from participating in such activity  
15 at his school if the student transferred to the school pursuant to a move necessitated  
16 by military orders issued to the student's parent or legal guardian, provided that all  
17 of the following apply:

18 (a) The parent or legal guardian is a member of the uniformed services as  
19 defined in R.S. 29:403(13).

20 (b) The student resided with and was supported by the parent or legal  
21 guardian prior to the receipt of military orders by the parent or legal guardian.

22 (c) The military orders constituted a change in duty station such that the  
23 move was necessary to comply with the orders.

1                   (2) The Louisiana High School Athletic Association shall annually submit a  
 2                   written report to the Senate Committee on Education and the House Committee on  
 3                   Education detailing the number of students who were deemed eligible to participate  
 4                   in extracurricular interscholastic athletic activities pursuant to the provisions of this  
 5                   Subsection, the schools from which such students transferred, the schools in which  
 6                   such students subsequently enrolled, and the athletic activities in which such students  
 7                   participated.

8                   Section 2. This Act shall be effective for the 2011-2012 school year and thereafter.

9                   Section 3. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not  
 10                  signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature  
 11                  by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If  
 12                  vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become  
 13                  effective on the day following such approval.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_