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HOUSE BILL NO. 2802

98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE MATHEWS.

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 167, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to the equal opportunity of home school students to participate in public school activities.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 167, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 167.045, to read as follows:

167.045. 1. Except as provided under subsection 4 of this section, a public school that participates in an activity sponsored by the Missouri State High School Activities Association (MSHSAA) shall provide a student who attends a home school, as defined under section 167.031, who resides in the public school's attendance area with the opportunity to participate in the activity on behalf of the public school in the same manner that the public school provides the opportunity to participate to students enrolled in the public school.

2. A home school student who seeks to participate or who participates in a MSHSAA activity on behalf of a public school is subject to the relevant policies that apply to students enrolled in the public school, including policies regarding registration, age eligibility, fees, insurance, transportation, physical condition, qualifications, responsibilities, event schedules, standards of behavior, and performance.

3. As a condition of participation by a home school student in a MSHSAA activity under this section, the individual who primarily provides instruction to the student shall submit a written verification to the public school indicating whether the student is:

(1) Receiving a passing grade in each course or subject taught; and

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

17 **(2) Maintaining satisfactory progress towards academic advancement or**
18 **promotion.**

19 **4. A home school student is not authorized by this section to participate in a**
20 **MSHSAA activity during the remainder of any school year during which the student was**
21 **previously enrolled in a public school.**

22 **5. The MSHSAA shall not prohibit a home school student from participating in**
23 **activities in the manner authorized by this section.**

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