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## SENATE BILL NO. 1016

## 100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary.

## AN ACT

To repeal sections 436.218, 436.224, 436.227, 436.230, 436.236, 436.242, 436.245, 436.248, 436.254, 436.257, 436.260, 436.263, and 436.266, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof twelve new sections relating to athlete agents, with penalty provisions.

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

Section A. Sections 436.218, 436.224, 436.227, 436.230, 436.236, 436.242,

- 2 436.245, 436.248, 436.254, 436.257, 436.260, 436.263, and 436.266, RSMo, are
- 3 repealed and twelve new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections
- 4 436.218, 436.224, 436.227, 436.230, 436.236, 436.242, 436.245, 436.248, 436.254,
- 5 436.260, 436.263, and 436.266, to read as follows:

436.218. As used in sections 436.215 to 436.272, the following terms

- 2 mean:
- 3 (1) "Agency contract", an agreement in which a student athlete authorizes
- 4 a person to negotiate or solicit on behalf of the student athlete a professional
- 5 sports services contract or an endorsement contract;
- 6 (2) "Athlete agent", an individual who enters into an agency contract
- 7 with a student athlete or directly or indirectly recruits or solicits a student
- 8 athlete to enter into an agency contract. The term does not include a spouse,
- 9 parent, sibling, grandparent, or guardian of the student athlete or an individual
- 10 acting solely on behalf of a professional sports team or professional sports
- 11 organization. The term includes an individual who represents to the public that
- 12 the individual is an athlete agent]:
- 13 (a) An individual, registered or unregistered under sections
- 14 436.215 to 436.272, who:

EXPLANATION—Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

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- a. Directly or indirectly recruits or solicits a student athlete to enter into an agency contract or, for compensation, procures employment or offers, promises, attempts, or negotiates to obtain employment for a student athlete as a professional athlete or member of a professional sports team or organization;
- 20 b. For compensation or in anticipation of compensation related 21 to a student athlete's participation in athletics:
- 22 (i) Serves the student athlete in an advisory capacity on a matter 23 related to finances, business pursuits, or career management decisions, 24 unless the individual is an employee of an educational institution 25 acting exclusively as an employee of the institution for the benefit of 26 the institution; or
- 27 (ii) Manages the business affairs of the student athlete by 28 providing assistance with bills, payments, contracts, or taxes; or
- c. In anticipation of representing a student athlete for a purpose related to the student athlete's participation in athletics:
  - (i) Gives consideration to the student athlete or another person;
- 32 (ii) Serves the student athlete in an advisory capacity on a 33 matter related to finances, business pursuits, or career management 34 decisions; or
  - (iii) Manages the business affairs of the student athlete by providing assistance with bills, payments, contracts, or taxes;
  - (b) "Athlete agent" does not include an individual who:
- 38 a. Acts solely on behalf of a professional sports team or 39 organization; or
- b. Is a licensed, registered, or certified professional and offers or provides services to a student athlete customarily provided by members of the profession, unless the individual:
  - (i) Recruits or solicits the student athlete to enter into an agency contract;
- 45 (ii) For compensation, procures employment or offers, promises, 46 attempts, or negotiates to obtain employment for the student athlete as 47 a professional athlete or member of a professional sports team or 48 organization; or
- 49 (iii) Receives consideration for providing the services calculated 50 using a different method than for an individual who is not a student 51 athlete;

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- 52 (3) "Athletic director", an individual responsible for administering the 53 overall athletic program of an educational institution or, if an educational 54 institution has separately administered athletic programs for male students and 55 female students, the athletic program for males or the athletic program for 56 females, as appropriate;
- 57 (4) ["Contact", a direct or indirect communication between an athlete 58 agent and a student athlete to recruit or solicit the student athlete to enter into 59 an agency contract;
  - (5)] "Director", the director of the division of professional registration;
- 61 [(6)] **(5)** "Division", the division of professional registration;
  - (6) "Educational institution", a public or private elementary school, secondary school, technical or vocational school, community college, college, or university;
  - (7) "Endorsement contract", an agreement under which a student athlete is employed or receives consideration to use on behalf of the other party any value that the student athlete may have because of publicity, reputation, following, or fame obtained because of athletic ability or performance;
- 69 (8) "Enrolled" or "enrolls", the act of registering, or having 70 already registered, for courses at an educational institution and 71 attending or planning to attend athletic practice or class;
  - (9) "Intercollegiate sport", a sport played at the collegiate level for which eligibility requirements for participation by a student athlete are established by a national association for the promotion or regulation of collegiate athletics;
  - (10) "Interscholastic sport", a sport played between educational institutions that are not community colleges, colleges, or universities;
  - (11) "Licensed, registered, or certified professional", an individual licensed, registered, or certified as an attorney, dealer in securities, financial planner, insurance agent, real estate broker or sales agent, tax consultant, accountant, or member of a profession, other than that of athlete agent, who is licensed, registered, or certified by the state or a nationally recognized organization that licenses, registers, or certifies members of the profession on the basis of experience, education, or testing;
- [(9)] (12) "Person", an individual, corporation, business trust, estate, trust, partnership, limited liability company, association, joint venture, government, governmental subdivision, agency, or instrumentality, public

- 88 corporation, or any other legal or commercial entity;
- [(10)] (13) "Professional sports services contract", an agreement under
- 90 which an individual is employed [or] as a professional athlete and agrees to
- 91 render services as a player on a professional sports team[,] or with a professional
- 92 sports organization[, or as a professional athlete];
- 93 [(11)] (14) "Record", information that is inscribed on a tangible medium
- 94 or that is stored in an electronic or other medium and is retrievable in
- 95 perceivable form;
- 96 (15) "Recruit or solicit", an attempt to influence the choice of an
- 97 athlete agent by a student athlete or, if the student athlete is a minor,
- 98 a parent or guardian of the student athlete. "Recruit or solicit" does
- 99 not include giving advice on the selection of a particular agent in a
- 100 family, coaching, or social situation unless the individual giving the
- 101 advice does so because of the receipt or anticipated receipt of an
- 102 economic benefit, directly or indirectly, from the agent;
- [(12)] (16) "Registration", registration as an athlete agent under sections
- 104 436.215 to 436.272;
- 105 (17) "Sign", the intent to authenticate or adopt a record:
- 106 (a) To execute or adopt a tangible symbol; or
- 107 (b) To attach to or logically associate with the record an
- 108 electronic symbol, sound, or process;
- [(13)] (18) "State", a state of the United States, the District of Columbia,
- 110 Puerto Rico, the United States Virgin Islands, or any territory or insular
- 111 possession subject to the jurisdiction of the United States;
- 112 [(14)] (19) "Student athlete", [a current student who engages in, has
- 113 engaged in, is eligible to engage in, or may be eligible in the future to engage in,
- 114 any intercollegiate sport] an individual who is eligible to attend an
- 115 educational institution and engages in, is eligible to engage in, or may
- 116 be eligible in the future to engage in any interscholastic or
- 117 intercollegiate sport. "Student athlete" does not include an individual
- 118 permanently ineligible to participate in a particular interscholastic or
- 119 intercollegiate sport.
  - 436.224. 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 of this section,
  - 2 an individual may not act as an athlete agent in this state [before] without
  - 3 being issued a certificate of registration under section 436.230 or 436.236.
  - 2. [An individual with a temporary license] Before being issued a

5 certificate of registration under section 436.236, an individual may act as

- 6 an athlete agent [before being issued a certificate of registration] for all purposes
- 7 except signing an agency contract if:

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- 8 (1) A student athlete or another acting on behalf of the student athlete
- 9 initiates communication with the individual; and
- 10 (2) Within seven days after an initial act [as an athlete agent] that
  11 requires the individual to register as an athlete agent, the individual
  12 submits an application to register as an athlete agent in this state.
- 3. An agency contract resulting from conduct in violation of this section is void. The athlete agent shall return any consideration received under the contract.
- 436.227. **1.** An applicant for registration shall submit an application for registration to the director in a form prescribed by the director. The application [must] **shall** be in the name of an individual and signed by the applicant under penalty of perjury and [must] **shall** state or contain **at least the following**:
  - (1) The name, date of birth, and place of birth of the applicant [and];
- 6 **(2)** The address **and telephone numbers** of the applicant's principal 7 place of business;
  - (3) The applicant's mobile telephone numbers and any means of communicating electronically, including a facsimile number, email address, and personal, business, or employer websites, as applicable;
- [(2)] (4) The name of the applicant's business or employer, if applicable, including for each business or employer, the mailing address, telephone number, organization form, and the nature of the business;
  - (5) Each social media account with which the applicant or the applicant's business or employer is affiliated;
- [(3)] (6) Any business or occupation engaged in by the applicant for the five years [next] preceding the date of submission of the application, including self-employment and employment by others, and any professional or occupational license, registration, or certification held by the applicant during that time;
- 21 [(4)] (7) A description of the applicant's:
- 22 (a) Formal training as an athlete agent;
- 23 (b) Practical experience as an athlete agent; and
- 24 (c) Educational background relating to the applicant's activities as an 25 athlete agent;

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- 26 [(5) The names and addresses of three individuals not related to the 27 applicant who are willing to serve as references;
- 28 (6)] (8) The name, sport, and last known team for each individual of 29 each student athlete for whom the applicant [provided services] acted as an 30 athlete agent during the five years [next] preceding the date of submission of the application or, if the student athlete is a minor, the name of the parent 31 32 or guardian of the minor, together with the student athlete's sport and 33 last known team;
- 34 [(7)] **(9)** The names and addresses of all persons who are:
- 35 (a) With respect to the athlete agent's business if it is not a corporation, the partners, officers, managers, associates, or profit-sharers, or persons who 36 37 directly or indirectly hold an equity interest of five percent or greater; 38 and
- 39 (b) With respect to a corporation employing the [athlete agent] 40 applicant, the officers, directors, and any shareholder of the corporation with a five percent or greater interest;
- (10) A description of the status of any application by the 42 43 applicant, or any person named under subdivision (9) of this subsection, for a state or federal business, professional, or occupational 44 license, other than as an athlete agent, from a state or federal agency, 45 including any denial, refusal to renew, suspension, withdrawal, or termination of the license and any reprimand or censure related to the license; 48
  - [(8)] (11) Whether the applicant or any other person named under subdivision [(7)] (9) of this [section] subsection has [been convicted] pled guilty to or been found guilty of a crime that if committed in this state would be a felony or other crime involving moral turpitude, and [a description of] information regarding the crime, including the crime, the law enforcement agency involved, and, if applicable, the date of the verdict and the penalty imposed;
- (12) Whether, within fifteen years before the date of application, 56 the applicant or any person named under subdivision (9) of this 58 subsection has been a defendant or respondent in a civil proceeding, including a proceeding seeking an adjudication of legal incompetence 59 60 and, if so, the date and a full explanation of each proceeding;

- (13) Whether the applicant or any person named under subdivision (9) of this subsection has an unsatisfied judgment or a judgment of continuing effect, including alimony or a domestic order in the nature of child support, that is not current on the date of the application;
  - (14) Whether, within ten years before the date of application, the applicant or any person named under subdivision (9) of this subsection was adjudicated bankrupt or was an owner of a business that was adjudicated bankrupt;
  - [(9)] (15) Whether there has been any administrative or judicial determination that the applicant or any other person named under subdivision [(7)] (9) of this [section] subsection has made a false, misleading, deceptive, or fraudulent representation;
  - [(10)] (16) Any instance in which the prior conduct of the applicant or any other person named under subdivision [(7)] (9) of this [section] subsection resulted in the imposition of a sanction, suspension, or declaration of ineligibility to participate in an interscholastic or intercollegiate athletic event on a student athlete or educational institution;
  - [(11)] (17) Any sanction, suspension, or disciplinary action taken against the applicant or any other person named under subdivision [(7)] (9) of this [section] subsection arising out of occupational or professional conduct; [and]
  - [(12)] (18) Whether there has been any denial of an application for, suspension or revocation of, or refusal to renew the registration or licensure of the applicant or any other person named under subdivision [(7)] (9) of this [section] subsection as an athlete agent in any state;
- 86 (19) Each state in which the applicant is currently registered as 87 an athlete agent or has applied to be registered as an athlete agent;
- 88 (20) If the applicant is certified or registered by a professional 89 league or players association:
  - (a) The name of the league or association;
  - (b) The date of certification or registration, and the date of expiration of the certification or registration, if any; and
  - (c) If applicable, the date of any denial of an application for, suspension or revocation of, refusal to renew, withdrawal of, or termination of the certification or registration or any reprimand or censure related to the certification or registration; and

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- 97 (21) Any additional information as required by the director.
- 2. In lieu of submitting the application and information required 98 under subsection 1 of this section, an applicant who is registered as an 99 100 athlete agent in another state may apply for registration as an athlete 101 agent by submitting the following:
  - (1) A copy of the application for registration in the other state;
- 103 (2) A statement that identifies any material change in the information on the application or verifies there is no material change 104 105 in the information, signed under penalty of perjury; and
  - (3) A copy of the certificate of registration from the other state.
- 107 3. The director shall issue a certificate of registration to an applicant who applies for registration under subsection 2 of this 108 section if the director determines: 109
- 110 (1) The application and registration requirements of the other state are substantially similar to or more restrictive than the 111 112 requirements provided under sections 436.215 to 436.272; and
- 113 (2) The registration has not been revoked or suspended and no action involving the applicant's conduct as an athlete agent is pending 114 against the applicant or the applicant's registration in any state. 115
- 116 4. For purposes of implementing subsection 3 of this section, the 117 director shall:
- (1) Cooperate with national organizations concerned with athlete 119 agent issues and agencies in other states that register athlete agents to 120 develop a common registration form and determine which states have laws that are substantially similar to or more restrictive than sections 122 436.215 to 436.272; and
- 123 (2) Exchange information, including information related to 124 actions taken against registered athlete agents or their registrations, 125 with those organizations and agencies.
  - 436.230. 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 of this section, the director shall issue a certificate of registration to an individual who complies with section 436.227.
  - 2. The director may refuse to issue a certificate of registration if the 4 director determines that the applicant has engaged in conduct that has a significant adverse effect on the applicant's fitness to serve as an athlete agent.
  - In making the determination, the director may consider whether the applicant
  - 8 has:

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- 9 (1) Been convicted of a crime that if committed in this state would be a 10 felony or other crime involving moral turpitude;
- 11 (2) Made a materially false, misleading, deceptive, or fraudulent 12 representation as an athlete agent or in the application;
- 13 (3) Engaged in conduct that would disqualify the applicant from serving 14 in a fiduciary capacity;
  - (4) Engaged in conduct prohibited by section 436.254;
- 16 (5) Had a registration or licensure as an athlete agent suspended, 17 revoked, or denied or been refused renewal of registration or licensure in any 18 state;
- 19 (6) Engaged in conduct or failed to engage in conduct the consequence of 20 which was that a sanction, suspension, or declaration of ineligibility to participate 21 in an interscholastic or intercollegiate athletic event was imposed on a student 22 athlete or educational institution; or
- 23 (7) Engaged in conduct that significantly adversely reflects on the 24 applicant's credibility, honesty, or integrity.
- 3. In making a determination under subsection [3] **2** of this section, the director shall consider:
  - (1) How recently the conduct occurred;
- 28 (2) The nature of the conduct and the context in which it occurred; and
- 29 (3) Any other relevant conduct of the applicant.
- 4. An athlete agent may apply to renew a registration by submitting an application for renewal in a form prescribed by the director. The application for renewal [must] shall be signed by the applicant under penalty of perjury under section 575.040 and shall contain current information on all matters required in an original registration.
- 5. An athlete agent registered under subsection 3 of section 436.227 may renew the registration by proceeding under subsection 4 of this section or, if the registration in the other state has been renewed, by submitting to the director copies of the application for renewal in the other state and the renewed registration from the other state. The director shall renew the registration if the director determines:
  - (1) The registration requirements of the other state are substantially similar to or more restrictive than the requirements provided under sections 436.215 to 436.272; and

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45	(2) The renewed registration has not been suspended or revoked
46	and no action involving the individual's conduct as an athlete agent is
47	pending against the individual or the individual's registration in any
48	state.
49	6. A certificate of registration or a renewal of a registration is valid for
50	two years.
	436.236. The director may issue a temporary certificate of registration
2	[valid for sixty days] while an application for registration or renewal is pending.
	436.242. 1. An agency contract [must] shall be in a record signed by the
2	parties.
3	2. An agency contract [must] shall state or contain:
4	(1) A statement that the athlete agent is registered as an athlete
5	agent in this state and a list of any other states in which the agent is
6	registered as an athlete agent;
7	(2) The amount and method of calculating the consideration to be paid by
8	the student athlete for services to be provided by the athlete agent under the
9	contract and any other consideration the athlete agent has received or will receive
10	from any other source for entering into the contract or for providing the services;
11	[(2)] (3) The name of any person not listed in the application for
12	registration or renewal who will be compensated because the student athlete
13	signed the agency contract;
14	[(3)] (4) A description of any expenses that the student athlete agrees to
15	reimburse;
16	[(4)] (5) A description of the services to be provided to the student
17	athlete;
18	[(5)] (6) The duration of the contract; and
19	[(6)] (7) The date of execution.
20	3. An agency contract shall contain in close proximity to the signature of
21	the student athlete a conspicuous notice in boldface type in capital letters stating:
22	"WARNING TO STUDENT ATHLETE IF YOU SIGN THIS
23	CONTRACT:
24	(1) YOU MAY LOSE YOUR ELIGIBILITY TO COMPETE AS A

(2) BOTH YOU AND YOUR ATHLETE AGENT ARE REQUIRED 26 TO TELL YOUR ATHLETIC DIRECTOR, IF YOU HAVE AN 27 ATHLETIC DIRECTOR, WITHIN 72 HOURS AFTER 28

STUDENT ATHLETE IN YOUR SPORT;

- 29 ENTERING INTO AN AGENCY CONTRACT **OR BEFORE THE**
- 30 NEXT ATHLETIC EVENT IN WHICH YOU PARTICIPATE,
- 31 WHICHEVER OCCURS FIRST, AND PROVIDE THE
- 32 NAME AND CONTACT INFORMATION OF THE ATHLETE
- 33 **AGENT**; AND
- 34 (3) YOU MAY CANCEL THIS CONTRACT WITHIN 14 DAYS
- 35 AFTER SIGNING IT. CANCELLATION OF THE CONTRACT
- 36 MAY NOT REINSTATE YOUR ELIGIBILITY.".
- 4. An agency contract shall be accompanied by a separate record
- 38 signed by the student athlete or, if the student athlete is a minor, the
- 39 parent or guardian of the student athlete acknowledging that signing
- 40 the contract may result in the loss of the student athlete's eligibility to
- 41 participate in the student athlete's sport.
- 5. An agency contract that does not conform to this section is voidable by
- 43 the student athlete or, if the student athlete is a minor, by the parent or
- 44 guardian of the student athlete. If the contract is voided, any
- 45 consideration received by the student athlete from the athlete agent
- 46 under the contract to induce entering into the contract is not required
- 47 to be returned.
- 48 [5.] **6.** The athlete agent shall give a copy of the signed agency contract
- 49 to the student athlete or, if the student athlete is a minor, to the parent
- or guardian of the student athlete [at the time of signing].
- 51 7. If a student athlete is a minor, an agency contract shall be
- 52 signed by the parent or guardian of the minor, and the notice required
- 53 by subsection 3 of this section shall be revised accordingly.
  - 436.245. 1. As used in this section, "communicating or attempting
  - 2 to communicate" shall mean contacting or attempting to contact by an
  - 3 in-person meeting, a record, or any other method that conveys or
  - 4 attempts to convey a message.
  - 5 **2.** Within seventy-two hours after entering into an agency contract or
  - 6 before the next scheduled athletic event in which the student athlete may
  - 7 participate, whichever occurs first, the athlete agent shall give notice in [writing]
- 8 a record of the existence of the contract to the athletic director of the
- 9 educational institution at which the student athlete is enrolled or the athlete
- 10 agent has reasonable grounds to believe the student athlete intends to enroll.
- 11 3. If an athlete agent enters into an agency contract with a

student athlete and the student athlete subsequently enrolls at an educational institution, the athlete agent shall notify the athletic director of the educational institution of the existence of the contract within seventy-two hours after the agent knows or should have known the student athlete enrolled.

- 4. If an athlete agent has a relationship with a student athlete before the student athlete enrolls in an educational institution and receives an athletic scholarship from the educational institution, the athlete agent shall notify the athletic director of the educational institution of the relationship no later than ten days after the enrollment if the athlete agent knows or should have known of the enrollment and:
- (1) The relationship was motivated in whole or in part by the intention of the athlete agent to recruit or solicit the student athlete to enter an agency contract in the future; or
- (2) The athlete agent directly or indirectly recruited or solicited the student athlete to enter an agency contract before the enrollment.
- 5. An athlete agent shall give notice in a record to the athletic director of any educational institution at which a student athlete is enrolled before the agent communicates or attempts to communicate with:
- (1) The student athlete or, if the student athlete is a minor, a parent or guardian of the student athlete to influence the student athlete or parent or guardian to enter into an agency contract; or
- (2) Another individual to have that individual influence the student athlete or, if the student athlete is a minor, the parent or guardian of the student athlete to enter into an agency contract.
- 6. If a communication or attempted communication with an athlete agent is initiated by a student athlete or another individual on behalf of the student athlete, the athlete agent shall give notice in a record to the athletic director of any educational institution at which the student athlete is enrolled. The notification shall be made no later than ten days after the communication or attempted communication.
- 7. An educational institution that becomes aware of a violation of sections 436.215 to 436.272 by an athlete agent shall notify the director of the violation and any professional league or players' association with which the educational institution is aware the agent

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[2.] 8. Within seventy-two hours after entering into an agency contract or before the next athletic event in which the student athlete may participate, whichever occurs first, the student athlete shall in [writing] a record inform the athletic director of the educational institution at which the student athlete is enrolled that he or she has entered into an agency contract and the name and contact information of the athlete agent.

436.248. 1. A student athlete or, if the student athlete is a minor,

2 the parent or guardian of the student athlete may cancel an agency

3 contract by giving notice in writing to the athlete agent of the cancellation within

4 fourteen days after the contract is signed.

- 2. A student athlete or, if the student athlete is a minor, the parent or guardian of the student athlete may not waive the right to cancel an agency contract.
- 3. If a student athlete, **parent**, **or guardian** cancels an agency contract within fourteen days of signing the contract, the student athlete, **parent**, **or guardian** is not required to pay any consideration under the contract or to return any consideration received from the agent to induce the student athlete to enter into the contract.
- 436.254. [1.] An athlete agent [may] shall not intentionally [do any of the following with the intent to induce a student athlete to enter into an agency 3 contract]:
  - (1) Give [any] a student athlete or, if the student athlete is a minor, a parent or guardian of the student athlete materially false or misleading information or make a materially false promise or representation with the intent to influence the student athlete, parent, or guardian to enter into an agency contract;
- 9 (2) Furnish anything of value to a student athlete [before the student athlete enters into the agency contract;] or another individual, if to do so may result in loss of the student athlete's eligibility to participate in the student athlete's sport, unless:
- 13 (a) The athlete agent notifies the athletic director of the 14 educational institution at which the student athlete is enrolled or at 15 which the athlete agent has reasonable grounds to believe the student 16 athlete intends to enroll, no later than seventy-two hours after giving 17 the thing of value; and

- 18 (b) The student athlete or, if the student athlete is a minor, a 19 parent or guardian of the student athlete acknowledges to the athlete 20 agent in a record that receipt of the thing of value may result in loss of 21 the student athlete's eligibility to participate in the student athlete's 22 sport;
- 23 (3) [Furnish anything of value to any individual other than the student 24 athlete or another registered athlete agent.
- 25 2. An athlete agent may not intentionally:
- 26 (1)] Initiate contact, directly or indirectly, with a student athlete or, 27 if the student athlete is a minor, a parent or guardian of the student 28 athlete to recruit or solicit the student athlete, parent, or guardian to 29 enter into an agency contract unless registered under sections 436.215 to 30 436.272;
- 31 [(2) Refuse or willfully] (4) Fail to **create**, retain, or permit inspection 32 of the records required by section 436.251;
- 33 [(3) Violate section 436.224 by failing] (5) Fail to register if required 34 under section 436.224;
- 35 [(4)] **(6)** Provide materially false or misleading information in an 36 application for registration or renewal of registration;
- 37 [(5)] (7) Predate or postdate an agency contract; [or
- 38 (6)] (8) Fail to notify a student athlete or, if the student athlete is a
  39 minor, a parent or guardian of the student athlete [prior to] before the
  40 student [athlete's] athlete, parent, or guardian [signing] signs an agency
  41 contract for a particular sport that the signing [by the student athlete] may
  42 [make the student athlete ineligible] result in loss of the student athlete's
  43 eligibility to participate [as a student athlete in that] in the student athlete's
  44 sport;
- (9) Encourage another individual to do any of the acts described in subdivisions (1) to (8) of this section on behalf of the athlete agent; or
- 48 (10) Encourage another individual to assist any other individual 49 in doing any of the acts described in subdivisions (1) to (8) of this 50 section on behalf of the athlete agent.
  - 436.260. 1. An educational institution [has a right of] or a student athlete may bring an action for damages against an athlete agent [or a former student athlete for damages caused by a] if the institution or student

athlete is adversely affected by an act or omission of the athlete agent

- in violation of sections 436.215 to 436.272. [In an action under this section, the
- court may award to the prevailing party costs and reasonable attorney's fees.]
- 7 (1) In order for a student athlete to qualify as "adversely affected by an act or omission of the athlete agent" under this section, the student athlete shall demonstrate that he or she was a student athlete and enrolled at the institution at the time the act or omission of the 10
  - (a) Was suspended or disqualified from participation in an interscholastic or intercollegiate sports event by a state or national federation or association that promotes or regulates interscholastic or intercollegiate sports; or
    - (b) Suffered financial damage.

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- (2) In order for an educational institution to qualify as "adversely affected by an act or omission of the athlete agent" under this section, the institution shall demonstrate that the institution:
- (a) Was disqualified from participation in an interscholastic or intercollegiate sports event by a state or national federation or association that promotes or regulates interscholastic or intercollegiate sports; or
  - (b) Suffered financial damage.
- 25 2. [Damages of an educational institution under subsection 1 of this 26 section include losses and expenses incurred because as a result of the activities of an athlete agent or former student athlete the educational institution was 27 injured by a violation of sections 436.215 to 436.272 or was penalized, disqualified, or suspended from participation in athletics by a national association 30 for the promotion and regulation of athletics, by an athletic conference, or by 31 reasonable self-imposed disciplinary action taken to mitigate sanctions.] A 32 plaintiff who prevails in an action under this section may recover actual damages, costs, and reasonable attorney's fees. An athlete agent found liable under this section forfeits any right of payment for anything of benefit or value provided to the student athlete and shall 35 refund any consideration paid to the athlete agent by or on behalf of 36 the student athlete.
  - 3. [A right of action under this section does not accrue until the educational institution discovers or by the exercise of reasonable diligence would have discovered the violation by the athlete agent or former student athlete.

4. Any liability of the athlete agent or the former student athlete under this section is several and not joint.

- 5. Sections 436.215 to 436.272 do not restrict rights, remedies, or defenses
- 44 of any person under law or equity.] A violation of any provision of sections
- 45 436.215 to 436.272 is an unfair trade practice for purposes of sections
- 46 **375.930** to **375.948**.

436.263. Any [person] individual who violates any [provisions]

- 2 **provision** of sections 436.215 to [436.269] **436.272** is guilty of a class A
- 3 misdemeanor and liable for a civil penalty not to exceed fifty thousand
- 4 dollars.

436.266. In applying and construing sections 436.215 to 436.272,

- 2 consideration [must] shall be given to the need to promote uniformity of the law
- 3 with respect to the subject matter of sections 436.215 to 436.272 among states
- 4 that enact it.

[436.257. The commission of any act prohibited by section

2 436.254 by an athlete agent is a class B misdemeanor.]



