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SENATE BILL DRS45306-TC-20B

Short Title: Interscholastic Athletics. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Johnson, McInnis, and Sawyer (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR OVERSIGHT OF PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL  
3 INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 115C-12(23) reads as rewritten:

6 "(23) Power to Adopt Eligibility Rules for Interscholastic Athletic Competition. –  
7 The State Board of Education shall adopt rules governing interscholastic  
8 athletic activities conducted by local boards of education, including eligibility  
9 for student participation. With regard to middle schools and high schools, the  
10 rules shall provide for the following:

11 ...

12 The State Board of Education may authorize a designated organization to  
13 apply and enforce the Board's rules governing participation in interscholastic  
14 athletic activities at the high school level. No organization shall be designated  
15 by the State Board unless that organization consents in writing to the conduct  
16 of audits by the State Auditor. The State Auditor is authorized to conduct  
17 audits of any designated organization in the same manner as for State agencies  
18 in accordance with Article 5A of Chapter 147 of the General Statutes."

19 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.



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