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29 (5) Home game. – A game held at a site selected by the hosting constituent			(5)		osting constituent		
30 institution, including a neutral site.			<u>(- /</u>		<u> </u>		
31 (c) <u>Competition Required. – A high-enrollment institution shall do all of the following in</u>		(c)	Comp		f the following in		
32 <u>each eligible sport:</u>			-		<u></u>		
33 (1) Every academic year, play at least one home or one away game against (i)			-		game against (i)		
34 another high-enrollment institution and (ii) an eligible constituent institution			<u> /</u>				
35 that is not a high-enrollment institution.							



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1	<u>(2)</u>	Every six academic years, play at least one home and one	away game against			
2		each eligible constituent institution that is not a high-enrol	lment institution.			
3	<u>(3)</u>	A high-enrollment institution shall alternate home and aw	vay games that are			
4		scheduled against the same eligible constituent institut	tion that is not a			
5		high-enrollment institution."				
6	SECTION 2. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Board of Governors					
7	of The University of North Carolina the sum of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) in nonrecurring					
8	funds for the 2024-2025 fiscal year to inform eligible constituent institutions and members of the					
9	public about the intrastate athletic competition required by G.S. 116-40.14, as enacted by this					
10	act.		·			
11	SEC'	TION 3. Section 2 of this act becomes effective July 1	, 2024. Except as			
12	otherwise provided, this act is effective when it becomes law and applies beginning with the					
13	2025-2026 acade	**				
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