

Senate Bill No. 125–Senator Kihuen

Joint Sponsor: Assemblyman Munford

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AN ACT relating to interscholastic events; revising provisions relating to the rules and regulations of the Nevada Interscholastic Activities Association; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel’s Digest:**

Under existing regulations, the Nevada Interscholastic Activities Association may approve certain games, contests and meets in which all-star teams participate if the game, contest or meet is approved by the National Collegiate Athletics Association, or its successor organization, and the National Federation of State High School Associations, or its successor organization. (NAC 386.693) **Section 1** of this bill provides that the rules and regulations adopted by the Nevada Interscholastic Activities Association must provide criteria to be used by the Nevada Interscholastic Activities Association when determining whether to approve or disapprove the staging of all-star games, contests or meets by any other organization and the participation of all-star teams in games, contests and meets without approval from any other organization. **Section 3** of this bill requires the Nevada Interscholastic Activities Association, on or before June 30, 2014, to amend its rules and regulations as necessary to conform to the provisions of **section 1**. **Section 3.5** of this bill authorizes the Nevada Interscholastic Activities Association to approve the staging of all-star games, contests or meets by any other organization and the participation of all-star teams in games, contests or meets without approval from any other organization during the period between the passage and approval of this bill and the adoption by the Nevada Interscholastic Activities Association of the rules and regulations required by **section 3**.

EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN  
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 1.** Chapter 386 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

*The rules and regulations adopted by the Nevada Interscholastic Activities Association pursuant to NRS 386.430 must provide criteria to be used by the Association when determining whether to approve or disapprove:*

- 1. The staging of an all-star game, contest or meet by any other organization; and*
- 2. The participation of an all-star team in a game, contest or meet regardless of whether the game, contest or meet is approved by any other organization.*



**Sec. 2.** NRS 386.430 is hereby amended to read as follows:

386.430 1. The Nevada Interscholastic Activities Association shall adopt rules and regulations in the manner provided for state agencies by chapter 233B of NRS as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of NRS 386.420 to 386.470, inclusive **H**, *and section 1 of this act*. The regulations must include provisions governing the eligibility and participation of homeschooled children in interscholastic activities and events. In addition to the regulations governing eligibility, a homeschooled child who wishes to participate must have on file with the school district in which the child resides a current notice of intent of a homeschooled child to participate in programs and activities pursuant to NRS 392.705.

2. The Nevada Interscholastic Activities Association shall adopt regulations setting forth:

(a) The standards of safety for each event, competition or other activity engaged in by a spirit squad of a school that is a member of the Nevada Interscholastic Activities Association, which must substantially comply with the spirit rules of the National Federation of State High School Associations, or its successor organization; and

(b) The qualifications required for a person to become a coach of a spirit squad.

3. If the Nevada Interscholastic Activities Association intends to adopt, repeal or amend a policy, rule or regulation concerning or affecting homeschooled children, the Association shall consult with the Northern Nevada Homeschool Advisory Council and the Southern Nevada Homeschool Advisory Council, or their successor organizations, to provide those Councils with a reasonable opportunity to submit data, opinions or arguments, orally or in writing, concerning the proposal or change. The Association shall consider all written and oral submissions respecting the proposal or change before taking final action.

4. As used in this section, "spirit squad" means any team or other group of persons that is formed for the purpose of:

(a) Leading cheers or rallies to encourage support for a team that participates in a sport that is sanctioned by the Nevada Interscholastic Activities Association; or

(b) Participating in a competition against another team or other group of persons to determine the ability of each team or group of persons to engage in an activity specified in paragraph (a).

**Sec. 3.** The Nevada Interscholastic Activities Association shall, on or before June 30, 2014, amend its rules and regulations,



including, without limitation, NAC 386.693, as necessary to conform to the provisions of section 1 of this act.

**Sec. 3.5.** Notwithstanding the amendatory provisions of this act, the Nevada Interscholastic Activities Association may, before the effective date of the regulations required by section 3 of this act or July 1, 2014, whichever is earlier, approve:

1. The staging of an all-star game, contest or meet by any other organization; and

2. The participation of an all-star team in a game, contest or meet regardless of whether the game, contest or meet is approved by any other organization.

**Sec. 4.** 1. This section and section 3.5 of this act become effective upon passage and approval.

2. Sections 1, 2 and 3 of this act become effective:

(a) Upon passage and approval for the purpose of adopting regulations; and

(b) On July 1, 2014, for all other purposes.

