

SENATE FILE 2071

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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to the adoption of rules prescribing scholastic  
 2 requirements for student participation in interscholastic  
 3 contests and competitions.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 280.13, Code Supplement 1985, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3 280.13 REQUIREMENTS FOR INTERSCHOLASTIC CONTESTS AND  
4 COMPETITIONS.

5 No A public school shall not participate in or allow  
6 students representing a public school to participate in any an  
7 extracurricular interscholastic contest or competition which  
8 is sponsored or administered by an organization as defined in  
9 this section, unless the organization is registered with the  
10 department of public instruction, files financial statements  
11 with the department in the form and at the intervals  
12 prescribed by the state board of public instruction, and is in  
13 compliance with rules ~~and regulations~~ which the state board of  
14 public instruction shall adopt for the proper administration,  
15 supervision, operation, adoption of eligibility requirements,  
16 and scheduling of such extracurricular interscholastic  
17 contests and, competitions, and such organizations. The rules  
18 for eligibility requirements adopted by the state board shall  
19 provide for the suspension of a student from participation in  
20 extracurricular interscholastic contests or competitions  
21 during the grade reporting period after a grade reporting  
22 period in which the student received a grade lower than the  
23 equivalent of seventy percent on a scale of one hundred  
24 percent in an academic class. The principal of the attendance  
25 center in which the student is enrolled may remove the  
26 suspension if the class is an identified honors or advanced  
27 class or if the student is a special education student whose  
28 handicapping condition significantly interferes with the  
29 student's ability to meet regular academic standards. The  
30 rules shall provide that a student not be suspended during the  
31 initial grade reporting period of a regular school year on the  
32 basis of grades received in the final grade reporting period  
33 of the preceding school year. For the purposes of this  
34 section "organization" means any a corporation, association,  
35 or organization which has as one of its primary purposes the

1 sponsoring or administration of extracurricular  
2 interscholastic contests or competitions, but ~~shall~~ does not  
3 include an agency of this state, a public or private school or  
4 school board, or an athletic conference or other association  
5 whose interscholastic contests or competitions do not include  
6 more than twenty schools.

7 EXPLANATION

8 This bill requires the state board of public instruction to  
9 adopt rules for eligibility requirements that prohibit a  
10 student from participating in extracurricular interscholastic  
11 contests or competitions if the student received a grade lower  
12 than seventy percent on a scale of one hundred percent in an  
13 academic class during the previous grade reporting period.  
14 The principal of the school in which the student is enrolled  
15 may remove the suspension if the grade was received for an  
16 honors or advanced class or if the student is a special  
17 education student. The prohibition does not apply to the  
18 initial grade reporting period of a school year.

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