

Senate File 2352 - Introduced

SENATE FILE 2352
BY COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

(SUCCESSOR TO SSB 3162)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the establishment of a working group to
2 collaboratively develop a cohesive policy on academic
3 ineligibility for participation in extracurricular
4 activities.

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

1 Section 1. EXTRACURRICULAR INTERSCHOLASTIC CONTESTS AND
2 COMPETITIONS WORKING GROUP — REPORT TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY. In
3 an effort to bring consistency to interscholastic contests
4 and competition academic ineligibility policies, it is
5 the intent of the general assembly that the statewide
6 corporations, associations, or organizations that have as
7 their primary purpose the sponsoring or administration of
8 extracurricular interscholastic contests or competitions for
9 Iowa's secondary school students, including but not limited
10 to the Iowa high school athletic association and the Iowa
11 girls high school athletic union, convene a working group
12 to collaboratively develop a cohesive policy on academic
13 ineligibility. The policy shall address, at a minimum,
14 efforts to combine or allow periods of ineligibility to run
15 concurrently for students participating in multiple activities
16 and measures that prevent students from avoiding a period of
17 ineligibility by enrolling in a new activity that will count
18 toward the student's period of ineligibility. The report
19 submitted may include recommendations for changes to state law
20 relating to eligibility and ineligibility for extracurricular
21 interscholastic contests and competitions. The working group
22 shall submit the policy and its findings and recommendations in
23 a report to the general assembly by January 1, 2019.

24 EXPLANATION

25 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
26 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

27 This bill expresses legislative intent that the statewide
28 entities that have as their primary purpose the sponsoring or
29 administration of extracurricular interscholastic contests or
30 competitions for Iowa's secondary school students, including
31 but not limited to the Iowa high school athletic association
32 and the Iowa girls high school athletic union, convene a
33 working group to collaboratively develop a cohesive policy on
34 academic ineligibility. The working group shall submit the
35 policy and its findings and recommendations in a report to the

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1 general assembly by January 1, 2019.