

Senate Study Bill 3162 - Introduced

SENATE FILE _____
BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE
ON EDUCATION BILL BY
CHAIRPERSON SINCLAIR)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to periods of academic ineligibility for
2 participation in extracurricular activities.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 280.13, Code 2018, is amended to read as
2 follows:

3 **280.13 Requirements for interscholastic athletic contests and**
4 **competitions.**

5 1. A public school shall not participate in or allow
6 students representing a public school to participate in any
7 extracurricular interscholastic athletic contest or competition
8 which is sponsored or administered by an organization as
9 defined in **this section**, unless the organization is registered
10 with the department of education, files financial statements
11 with the department in the form and at the intervals prescribed
12 by the director of the department of education, and is in
13 compliance with rules which the state board of education adopts
14 for the proper administration, supervision, operation, adoption
15 of eligibility requirements, and scheduling of extracurricular
16 interscholastic athletic contests and competitions and the
17 organizations. For the purposes of **this section** "organization"
18 means a corporation, association, or organization which has as
19 one of its primary purposes the sponsoring or administration
20 of extracurricular interscholastic athletic contests or
21 competitions, but does not include an agency of this state,
22 a public or private school or school board, or an athletic
23 conference or other association whose interscholastic contests
24 or competitions do not include more than twenty-four schools.

25 2. If a student participates in multiple extracurricular
26 interscholastic contests or competitions and is deemed to be
27 academically ineligible to participate in extracurricular
28 interscholastic contests or competitions for a period of time
29 by the public school in which the student is enrolled and by
30 one or more organizations or associations, the public school
31 and any organization or association that imposes on the student
32 a period of ineligibility shall make every reasonable effort to
33 collaborate to ensure that, when possible, the periods of the
34 student's academic ineligibility run concurrently.

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EXPLANATION

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

3 This bill directs public schools and extracurricular
4 interscholastic organizations and associations to make every
5 reasonable effort to collaborate to ensure that, when a student
6 is deemed academically ineligible for purposes of participation
7 in extracurricular interscholastic contests or competitions,
8 the periods of the student's academic ineligibility run
9 concurrently.