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## A BILL FOR

An Act relating to the eligibility of students enrolled
 in public schools or nonpublic schools to compete in
 extracurricular interscholastic athletic contests or
 competitions provided by other public schools or nonpublic
 schools.
 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

Section 1. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. 280.13D Participation in
 extracurricular interscholastic athletic contests or competitions
 provided by public schools or nonpublic schools.

The board of directors of a school district shall allow 4 1. 5 a student who resides within the school district and who is 6 enrolled in a nonpublic school to participate immediately 7 in any extracurricular interscholastic athletic contest or 8 competition provided by the school district pursuant to the 9 terms of an agreement between the board of directors of the 10 school district and the authorities in charge of the nonpublic 11 school that provides for the eligibility of the student. 12 2. *a.* The authorities in charge of a nonpublic school 13 shall allow a student who resides within the school district 14 where the nonpublic school is located and who is enrolled 15 in such school district to participate immediately in any 16 extracurricular interscholastic athletic contest or competition 17 provided by the nonpublic school pursuant to the terms of an 18 agreement between the authorities in charge of the nonpublic 19 school and the board of directors of the school district that 20 provides for the eligibility of the student.

21 b. The authorities in charge of a nonpublic school may 22 establish a reasonable fee for the cost of a student's 23 participation in an extracurricular interscholastic athletic 24 contest or competition pursuant to paragraph "a". The student, 25 or the student's parent or guardian, shall be responsible for 26 the payment of such fee.

3. An organization, as defined in section 280.13, shall not take into account the number of students who participate in an extracurricular interscholastic athletic contest or competition provided by a school district or a nonpublic school pursuant to this section when determining the classification of a public school or a nonpublic school.

4. A student who participates in an extracurricular
interscholastic athletic contest or competition pursuant
to this section shall be deemed to satisfy the residence

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## 1 requirements for purposes of section 256.46. 2 EXPLANATION 3 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with 4 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly. 5 This bill relates to the eligibility of students

6 enrolled in public schools or nonpublic schools to compete 7 in extracurricular interscholastic athletic contests or 8 competitions provided by other public schools or nonpublic 9 schools.

10 The bill requires school districts to allow a student 11 who resides within the school district and who is enrolled 12 in a nonpublic school to participate immediately in any 13 extracurricular interscholastic athletic contest or competition 14 provided by the school district pursuant to the terms of an 15 agreement between the school district and the nonpublic school 16 that provides for the eligibility of the student.

The bill also requires nonpublic schools to allow a student who resides within the school district where the nonpublic school is located and who is enrolled in such school district to participate immediately in any extracurricular interscholastic athletic contest or competition provided by the nonpublic school pursuant to the terms of an agreement between the nonpublic school and the school district that provides for the eligibility of the student. The bill authorizes nonpublic schools to establish a reasonable fee for the cost of a student's participation in such extracurricular interscholastic athletic contest or competition. The bill provides that the student, or the student's parent or guardian, is responsible provides for the fee.

30 The bill establishes that a student who participates in an 31 extracurricular interscholastic athletic contest or competition 32 pursuant to these provisions shall be deemed to satisfy 33 the residence requirements of Code section 256.46 (rules 34 for participation in extracurricular activities by certain 35 children).

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1 The bill prohibits an organization, as defined in Code 2 section 280.13 (requirements for interscholastic athletic 3 contests and competitions), from taking into account the 4 number of students who participate in an extracurricular 5 interscholastic athletic contest or competition pursuant to 6 these provisions when determining the classification of a 7 public school or a nonpublic school.

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