

**Senate Study Bill 3072 - Introduced**

SENATE FILE \_\_\_\_\_  
BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE  
ON EDUCATION BILL BY  
CHAIRPERSON ROZENBOOM)

**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to participation in school activities by  
2 students enrolled in charter schools.  
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 256E.13 Students receiving  
2 instruction over the internet — participation in activities in  
3 district of residence.

4 A student enrolled in a charter school who receives  
5 educational instruction and course content primarily over the  
6 internet may participate in any cocurricular or extracurricular  
7 activities offered to children in the student's grade or group  
8 and sponsored by the district of residence under the same  
9 conditions and requirements as the students enrolled in the  
10 district of residence. The student may participate in not more  
11 than two cocurricular or extracurricular activities during a  
12 school year unless the resident district approves the student's  
13 participation in additional activities. The student shall  
14 comply with the eligibility, conduct, and other requirements  
15 relating to the activity that are established by the district  
16 of residence for any student who applies to participate or who  
17 is participating in the activity.

18 Sec. 2. Section 280.13A, subsection 1, Code 2024, is amended  
19 to read as follows:

20 1. If a school district, ~~or nonpublic school, or charter~~  
21 school operating under section 256E.5 does not provide an  
22 interscholastic activity for its students, the board of  
23 directors of that school district, ~~or the authorities in~~  
24 charge of the nonpublic school, or governing board of the  
25 charter school may complete an agreement with another school  
26 district, or nonpublic school, or charter school operating  
27 under section 256E.5 to provide for the eligibility of its  
28 students in interscholastic activities provided by that other  
29 school district, or nonpublic school, or charter school. A  
30 copy of each agreement completed under **this section** shall be  
31 filed with the appropriate organization as organization is  
32 defined in **section 280.13** not later than April 30 of the school  
33 year preceding the school year in which the agreement takes  
34 effect, unless an exception is granted by the organization  
35 for good cause. An agreement completed under **this section**

1 shall be deemed approved unless denied by the organization  
2 within ten days after its receipt. The organization shall  
3 determine whether an agreement would substantially prejudice  
4 the interscholastic activities of other schools. An agreement  
5 denied by the organization under [this section](#) may be appealed  
6 to the state board of education under [chapter 290](#).

7 EXPLANATION

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

10 This bill authorizes a student enrolled in a charter school  
11 under Code chapter 256E who receives educational instruction  
12 and course content primarily over the internet to participate  
13 in any cocurricular or extracurricular activities offered  
14 to children in the student's grade or group and sponsored  
15 by the district of residence under the same conditions and  
16 requirements as students enrolled in the district of residence.  
17 The student shall comply with applicable eligibility,  
18 conduct, and other requirements established by the district of  
19 residence.

20 The bill authorizes a charter school operating under the  
21 founding group-state board model to complete an agreement with  
22 a school district, public school, or other charter school  
23 operating under the founding-group-state board model providing  
24 for student eligibility for interscholastic activities not  
25 provided by the charter school but provided by the other  
26 school. Existing procedures applicable to such agreements are  
27 applicable to agreements authorized by the bill.