



## 97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

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SB2550

Introduced 1/11/2012, by Sen. Shane Cultra

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

105 ILCS 5/10-20.55 new  
105 ILCS 5/34-18.47 new

Amends the School Code. Provides that if a student athlete has not met practice requirements for a high school sport due to the student's involvement in military training, then a waiver to participate in play in the regular season for that sport may be granted by the school board. Sets forth the waiver process. Provides for immunity from any liability for a coach, athletic director, school, school board, and school district with respect to the granting of a waiver.

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1 AN ACT concerning education.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The School Code is amended by adding Sections  
5 10-20.55 and 34-18.47 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/10-20.55 new)

7 Sec. 10-20.55. Military training athletic waiver. If a  
8 student athlete has not met practice requirements for a high  
9 school sport due to the student's involvement in military  
10 training, then a waiver to participate in play in the regular  
11 season for that sport may be granted by the school board. Under  
12 this waiver process, the student may apply for the waiver with  
13 his or her respective coach or athletic director, and the coach  
14 or athletic director shall review the waiver and make a  
15 recommendation to the school board on whether to grant or deny  
16 the waiver. Except for an act of willful or wanton misconduct,  
17 a coach, athletic director, school, school board, and school  
18 district shall have immunity from any liability, whether civil  
19 or criminal or that otherwise might result from the granting of  
20 a waiver, and the waiver shall acknowledge that fact.

21 (105 ILCS 5/34-18.47 new)

22 Sec. 34-18.47. Military training athletic waiver. If a

1 student athlete has not met practice requirements for a high  
2 school sport due to the student's involvement in military  
3 training, then a waiver to participate in play in the regular  
4 season for that sport may be granted by the board. Under this  
5 waiver process, the student may apply for the waiver with his  
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7 athletic director shall review the waiver and make a  
8 recommendation to the school board on whether to grant or deny  
9 the waiver. Except for an act of willful or wanton misconduct,  
10 a coach, an athletic director, a school, the board, and the  
11 school district shall have immunity from any liability, whether  
12 civil or criminal or that otherwise might result from the  
13 granting of a waiver, and the waiver shall acknowledge that  
14 fact.