



## 102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2021 and 2022

HB0735

Introduced 2/8/2021, by Rep. Maurice A. West, II

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

105 ILCS 25/1.25 new

Amends the Interscholastic Athletic Organization Act. Provides that an association or other entity that has, as one of its purposes, promoting, sponsoring, regulating, or in any manner providing for interscholastic athletics or any form of athletic competition among schools and students within this State shall prohibit a member school from using a Native American logo or mascot or any other Native American imagery unless the school (1) has received the express written consent of a Native American tribe based within 500 miles of the school, which consent must be renewed every 5 years; (2) conducts a school-wide program on Native American culture at least twice per school year; (3) offers a course of study to its students outlining Native American contributions to society; and (4) files an annual report with the State Board of Education detailing what academic programs on Native Americans it has offered during the school year. Provides that the association or other entity shall investigate any failure to comply with this prohibition and the penalty for noncompliance shall be ineligibility to participate in any playoffs.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT  
MAY APPLY

STATE MANDATES  
ACT MAY REQUIRE  
REIMBURSEMENT

A BILL FOR

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 Interscholastic Athletic Organization Act  
5 is amended by adding Section 1.25 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 25/1.25 new)

7 Sec. 1.25. Use of Native American imagery. An association  
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