

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 changing the title of the Act and Sections 0.01  
6 and 1 and by adding Section 0.05 as follows:

7 (105 ILCS 25/Act title)

8 An Act relating to ~~membership representation on certain~~  
9 interscholastic athletic and academic organizations.

10 (105 ILCS 25/0.01) (from Ch. 122, par. 1820)

11 Sec. 0.01. Short title. This Act may be cited as the  
12 Interscholastic Athletic and Academic Organization Act.

13 (Source: P.A. 86-1324.)

14 (105 ILCS 25/0.05 new)

15 Sec. 0.05. Regulation of news media.

16 (a) For the purposes of this Section, "news media" means  
17 personnel of a newspaper or other periodical issued at regular  
18 intervals (whether in print or electronic format), a news  
19 service (whether in print or electronic format), a radio  
20 station, a television station, a television network, a  
21 community antenna-television service, or a person or

1 corporation engaged in making news reels or other motion  
2 picture news for public showing.

3 (b) No public elementary or public secondary school in this  
4 State nor any association or other entity that sponsors,  
5 regulates, or in any manner provides for interscholastic  
6 athletic, academic, or other form of competition among schools  
7 and students within this State may infringe upon or attempt to  
8 regulate in any manner the dissemination of news or the use of  
9 visual images by the news media of interscholastic athletic,  
10 academic, or other form of competition among schools and  
11 students within this State.

12 (105 ILCS 25/1) (from Ch. 122, par. 1821)

13 Sec. 1. Payment of dues or fees. No membership or other  
14 dues or fees shall be paid by the governing body of any public  
15 elementary or public secondary school in this State to any  
16 association or other entity which has as one of its purposes  
17 promoting, sponsoring, regulating or in any manner providing  
18 for interscholastic athletic, academic, or other ~~athletics or~~  
19 ~~any~~ form of ~~athletic~~ competition among schools and students  
20 within this State if such association or other entity adopts or  
21 maintains in effect any bylaw, rule, regulation or policy which  
22 designates or requires a member to designate its school  
23 principal or any other school administrator as the  
24 representative of the member who alone is entitled to cast the  
25 vote of the member on any matter coming before such association

1 or entity which is to be determined by a vote of its general  
2 membership; provided, that the provisions of this Section shall  
3 not apply if the bylaws, rules, regulations or policies of such  
4 association or entity, as adopted and applied: (i) authorize  
5 the governing board of each secondary school which is a member  
6 of the association or entity to appoint, as the allotted  
7 representative of such secondary school entitled to cast its  
8 vote on any matter coming before the association or entity  
9 which is to be determined by a vote of its general membership,  
10 any coach, athletic director, teacher, principal or other  
11 school administrator employed at the secondary school which the  
12 governing body chooses to appoint as such representative, and  
13 (ii) provide that if no representative of a member is so  
14 appointed by its governing body, that the school principal of  
15 the member shall be its representative authorized to cast its  
16 vote unless and until the governing body shall otherwise  
17 appoint.

18 (Source: P.A. 85-656.)

19 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
20 becoming law.