

AN ACT concerning civil law.

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

Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the Interscholastic Association Defamation Act.

Section 5. Definition. As used in this Act, "association" means the Illinois High School Association.

Section 10. Defamation. Any association which has as its purpose promoting, sponsoring, regulating, or in any manner providing for interscholastic athletics or any form of athletic competition among schools and students within this State is not liable for defamation, except for actual malice.

Section 98. Applicability. This Act applies only to causes of actions accruing on or after its effective date.

Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect October 1, 2009.