

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE BILL NO. 449

99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE HOUGHTON.

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 171, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to student athletes.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 171, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be
2 known as section 171.055, to read as follows:

3 **171.055. 1. Any student participating in activities at the Missouri state fair who is**
4 **a member of an athletic team at a public school and who will miss team practices as a result**
5 **of participating in activities at the Missouri state fair shall receive the opportunity to**
6 **participate in practices relevant to his or her athletic activity at the Missouri state fair.**

7 **2. Any student who wishes to participate in practices at the Missouri state fair and**
8 **who qualifies to receive this opportunity under subsection 1 of this section shall notify his**
9 **or her public school team coach in writing at least ten days before his or her first day of**
10 **attendance at the Missouri state fair.**

11 **3. Any public school team coach who receives notification from a student as**
12 **described under subsection 2 of this section shall send the notification to a statewide**
13 **athletic organization with a public school district as a member, and the organization shall**
14 **provide a coach, approved under its by-laws, to oversee practices for the student.**

15 **4. The public school team coach of any student participating in practices at the**
16 **Missouri state fair shall coordinate with the approved coach at the Missouri state fair with**
17 **respect to the activities to be performed at the practices.**

18 **5. Practices at the Missouri state fair shall not be more strenuous for students than**
19 **the team practices that the students could not attend as a result of their participation in**
20 **fair activities.**

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

19 **6. A statewide athletic organization with a public school district as a member shall**
20 **fulfill the requirements of this section by recruiting volunteer coaches or by paying coaches**
21 **for their services.**

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