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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2345

As Amended by House Committee of the Whole

Brief*

HB 2345, as amended, would prohibit the Kansas State High School Activities Association (KSHSAA) and its members from restricting student athletes from participating in swimming or diving training with a Kansas high school league-sponsored sport or competition even if the student is also participating in nonschool swimming or diving athletic training, or both. The student athlete would be required to meet the participation requirements for the student athlete's high school swim or diving program.

The bill also would allow part-time students, who are enrolled in music or debate related classes and who maintain at least a 2.0 grade point average, to participate in KSHSAA related activities in the school district where the student is enrolled.

Background

The House Committee deleted the provisions of HB 2345, as introduced, and inserted the language of SB 317, as amended by the Senate Committee of the Whole. Both bills dealt with the powers and duties of the KSHSAA.

The House Committee of the Whole amended the bill to allow part-time students, who are enrolled in music or debate related classes and who maintain at least a 2.0 grade point average, to participate in KSHSAA related activities in the school district where the student is enrolled.

Representative Eric Carter, along with 19 other conferees, testified in favor of the bill as introduced. The Executive Director of KSHSAA, along with three other conferees, testified in opposition to the bill as introduced.

The fiscal note from the Division of Budget states that enactment of the bill would have no fiscal impact on the Department of Education.

*Supplemental notes are prepared by the Legislative Research Department and do not express legislative intent. The supplemental note and fiscal note for this bill may be accessed on the Internet at <http://www.kslegislature.org>