

House Bill 1149

By: Representatives Chandler of the 105th, Clark of the 98th, Barr of the 103rd, Quick of the 117th, Duncan of the 26th, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Part 14 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia
2 Annotated, relating to certain programs and activities under the "Quality Basic Education
3 Act," so as to provide that no high school which receives funding under the "Quality Basic
4 Education Act" shall participate in or sponsor interscholastic sports events conducted by any
5 athletic association that prohibits home study students from participating in athletic events
6 as a member of a team of a public school; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting
7 laws; and for other purposes.

8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

9 **SECTION 1.**

10 Part 14 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
11 relating to certain programs and activities under the "Quality Basic Education Act," is
12 amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

13 "20-2-316.2.

14 (a) As used in this Code section, the term 'athletic association' means any association of
15 schools or any other similar organization which acts as an organizing, sanctioning,
16 scheduling, or rule-making body for interscholastic athletic events in which public schools
17 in this state participate.

18 (b) No high school which receives funding under this article shall participate in, sponsor,
19 or provide coaching staff for interscholastic sports events which are conducted under the
20 authority of, conducted under the rules of, or scheduled by any athletic association unless
21 such athletic association does not prohibit students in home study programs meeting the
22 requirements of Code Section 20-2-690 from participating in interscholastic athletic events
23 and competitions, including playoff competitions, as a member of a team of a public
24 school."

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SECTION 2.

26 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.