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Representative Wade of the 9th offers the following amendment:

1 *Amend House Bill 1084 as passed the Senate (LC 49 0983S) by inserting after "to provide*
2 *for construction;" on line 15 the following:*

3 to provide that no high school that receives QBE funds shall participate in, sponsor, or
4 provide coaching staff for interscholastic sports events which are conducted under the
5 authority of, conducted under the rules of, or scheduled by any athletic association unless
6 such athletic association provides for an executive oversight committee; to provide for the
7 appointment, membership, selection of officers, meetings, duties, and authorities of such
8 executive oversight committee; to provide for reimbursement for such executive oversight
9 committee; to provide for noncompliant high schools to forfeit QBE funding;

10 *By deleting line 18 and inserting li lieu thereof the following:*

11 **PART I**

12 **SECTION 1-1.**

13 *By redesignating Section 2 on page 2, Section 3 on page 10, Sections 4 and 5 on page 11,*
14 *and Section 6 on page 12, as Sections 1-2, 1-3, 1-4, 1-5, and 1-6, respectively.*

15 *By inserting after line 308 the following:*

16 **PART II**

17 **SECTION 2-1.**

18 Said title 20 is further amended in Part 14 of Article 6 of Chapter 2, relating to other
19 educational programs under the Quality Basic Education Act, by adding a new subsection
20 to Code Section 20-2-316, relating to involvement of athletic associations in high school
21 athletics, to read as follows:

22 “(c)(1) No high school which receives funding under this article shall participate in,
23 sponsor, or provide coaching staff for interscholastic sports events which are conducted
24 under the authority of, conducted under the rules of, or scheduled by any athletic
25 association unless the athletic association complies with the provisions of this subsection
26 by having a charter, bylaws, and other governing documents which provide for
27 governance and operational oversight by an executive oversight committee as follows:

28 (A) The executive oversight committee shall comprise ten members as follows:

29 (i) One member to be appointed by the Governor;

30 (ii) One member to be appointed by the Lieutenant Governor;

31 (iii) One member to be appointed by Speaker of the House of Representatives;

32 (iv) Two members to be appointed by the Georgia School Superintendents
33 Association, with one such member representing approximately one-half of the
34 athletic association's participating schools with classifications by the athletic
35 association based on lower student enrollment figures and the other such member
36 representing approximately one-half of the athletic association's participating schools
37 with classifications by the athletic association based on higher student enrollment
38 figures;

39 (v) One member to be appointed by the Georgia School Boards Association;

40 (vi) One member to be appointed by a state-wide association of high school athletic
41 coaches with a current membership of not less than 300 Georgia residents and which
42 is recognized by a majority of the executive oversight committee;

43 (vii) One member to be appointed by a state-wide association of high school athletic
44 officials, referees, and umpires with a current membership of not less than 300

- 45 Georgia residents and which is recognized by a majority of the executive oversight
46 committee; and
- 47 (viii) Two members to be appointed by the governing body of the athletic
48 association, with one such member representing approximately one-half of the athletic
49 association's participating schools with classifications by the athletic association
50 based on lower student enrollment figures and the other such member representing
51 approximately one-half of the athletic association's participating schools with
52 classifications by the athletic association based on higher student enrollment figures;
- 53 (B) A quorum of the executive oversight committee shall consist of 6 members;
- 54 (C) The executive oversight committee shall elect a chairperson and vice chairperson
55 from among its members;
- 56 (D) Members of the executive oversight committee shall serve terms of three years and
57 are eligible to succeed themselves only once. The athletic association's bylaws shall
58 establish a rotation of terms to ensure that a majority of the members' terms do not
59 expire concurrently. The athletic association's bylaws shall provide for successors to
60 such members who vacate office for any reason;
- 61 (E) The authority and duties of the executive oversight committee shall include:
- 62 (i) To meet in person or remotely not less than twice each school year;
- 63 (ii) To meet in person or remotely upon the call of the chairperson or a majority of
64 the executive oversight committee;
- 65 (iii) To establish policies and procedures for the executive oversight committee;
- 66 (iv) To conduct any independent audit, review, or investigation the executive
67 oversight committee deems necessary, including, but not limited to, the audit, review,
68 or investigation of the classifications of participating schools and travel-related issues
69 of participating schools;
- 70 (v) If the athletic association determines that it is necessary and appropriate to
71 prohibit students whose gender is male from participating in athletic events that are

72 designated for students whose gender is female, then the athletic association may
73 adopt a policy to that effect; provided, however, that such policy shall be applied to
74 all of the athletic association's participating public high schools; and

75 (vi) To conduct an annual evaluation of the athletic association as a whole and
76 present a report of its findings, recommendations, and conclusions to the General
77 Assembly's High School Athletics Overview Committee; and

78 (F) Travel and other expenses actually incurred by the executive oversight committee,
79 or any member thereof in the performance of his or her duties, shall be reimbursed by
80 the athletic association.

81 (2) Any high school that participates in, sponsors, or provides coaching staff for
82 interscholastic sports events which are conducted under the authority of, conducted under
83 the rules of, or scheduled by any athletic association that does not comply with the
84 provisions of this Code section shall forfeit its allotted funding provided for under this
85 article."

86 *By deleting line 309 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:*

87 **PART III**
88 **SECTION 3-1.**