A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1	SECTION 1. Chapter 302A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2	amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
3	and to read as follows:
4	"§302A- Participation in extracurricular activities by
5	home-schooled children. (a) A child who is home schooled in
6	accordance with section 302A-1132 shall be eligible to
7	participate in extracurricular activities at the public school
8	that the child would otherwise be required to attend. If a
9	home-schooled child wishes to participate in an extracurricular
10	activity, the following requirements shall be met prior to
11	participation:
12	(1) The child shall meet the participation requirements
13	and restrictions for that activity, including
14	maintaining appropriate grade point averages and
15	paying appropriate fees; provided that the
16	requirements or restrictions shall not be inconsistent
17	with this section; and

1	(2)	The parent or guardian of the child shall provide the
2		principal of the public school that the child would
3		otherwise be required to attend with a notification of
4		intent to home school in a manner as determined by the
5		department and by the first day of each school year
6		for which the child intends to home school.
7	(b)	The department shall adopt rules to effectuate this
8	section a	nd to provide procedures by which a home-schooled child
9	may apply	to participate in extracurricular activities. The
10	departmen	t may also adopt rules setting forth which programs
11	qualify a	s extracurricular activities under this section.
12	(c)	As used in this section, "extracurricular activity"
13	means a s	chool-authorized or education-related activity
14	occurring	during or outside the regular instructional school
15	day, incl	uding sports, cheerleading, clubs, and other programs."
16	SECT	ION 2. The department of education shall consult the
17	Athletic	Directors and Coaches Association of Hawaii and other
18	agencies	and organizations during its rulemaking process to
19	effectuat	e the purposes of this Act and to address specific
20	issues in	cluding but not limited to:

. 1	(1)	Appropriate funding for the participation of nome-
2		schooled children in extracurricular activities at
3		public schools;
4	(2)	Eligibility criteria for home-schooled children in
5		extracurricular activities at public schools, such as
6		grade point average requirements;
7	(3)	Whether to or how to apply department of education
8		standards, rules, and policies to home-schooled
9		children during or as a prerequisite to their
10		participation in extracurricular activities;
11	(4)	Determining and enforcing rules regarding transfers
12		between schools and home schools;
13	(5)	Providing adequate protections against the illegal
14		recruitment of students for participation in athletics
15		and other extracurricular activities; and
16	(6)	Liability and other legal issues that may arise from
17		the participation of home-schooled children in
18		extracurricular activities at public schools;
19	provided	that any rules adopted relating to the participation of
20	home-school	oled children in athletics at public schools shall be
21	consistent	t with department of education rules relating to the

- 1 participation of transfer students in athletics at public
- 2 schools.
- 3 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.
- 4 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.

Report Title:

Home Schooling; Extracurricular Activities

Description:

Allows home-schooled students to participate on an equal basis in extracurricular activities offered at the public school they would otherwise be required to attend if they meet certain requirements. Requires DOE to consult with the Athletic Directors and Coaches Association of Hawaii during its rulemaking process. Takes effect 07/01/2050.

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