STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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HOUSE CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION NO. 1082 By: Bastin

AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution relating to the NCAA Initial-Eligibility Clearinghouse; memorializing Congress to pass legislation prohibiting entities such as the NCAA from requiring application through and payment to an Initial-Eligibility Clearinghouse; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, many college sports are regulated by the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) which has three membership divisions - Division I, Division II, and Division III; and

WHEREAS, students planning to enroll in college as freshmen and wanting to participate in Division I or Division II sports must be certified by the NCAA Initial-Eligibility Clearinghouse; and

WHEREAS, the Clearinghouse analyzes academic information and determines if a student meets NCAA's initial-eligibility requirements; and

WHEREAS, the required basic fee is Eighteen Dollars ($18.00), and the student release form will not be processed without correct payment or signed authorization from a school official for a fee waiver; and

WHEREAS, in 1993, Oklahoma ranked 30th among the states in total participation in high school sports with 64,072 participants; and

WHEREAS, total high school sports participation in all states in 1992-93 was 3,416,389 in male participants, and 1,997,489 in female participants; and

WHEREAS, nearly 200 students participate in sports at participating NCAA Oklahoma state institutions of higher education as first-time freshmen; and

WHEREAS, the total number of scholarship athletes at in-state higher education institutions for fall 1993 was 893.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 44TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

THAT the Oklahoma Legislature memorializes the United States Congress to pass legislation prohibiting the National Collegiate Athletic Association and other athletic associations from requiring students planning to enroll in college as freshmen and wanting to participate in Division I or Division II sports to apply through their clearinghouse and pay for such service.

THAT copies of this resolution be distributed to the Governor of the State of Oklahoma, the Superintendent of Public Instruction, the Chancellor for Higher Education and each member of the Oklahoma Congressional Delegation.

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