

1 **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3 1st Session of the 59th Legislature (2023)

4 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
5 FOR
6 HOUSE BILL NO. 2249

By: Burns and **Hilbert**

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9 An Act relating to schools; amending 70 O.S. 2021,
10 Section 8-103.2, which relates to transfer student
11 participation in athletic competition; granting
12 eligibility for certain transfer students; requiring
13 immediate eligibility for students who transfer prior
14 to sophomore year; modifying criteria of a one-year
15 waiting period for certain transfer students; and
16 providing an effective date.

16 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

17 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2021, Section 8-103.2, is
18 amended to read as follows:

19 Section 8-103.2 A. Except as otherwise provided, a student who
20 ~~enrolls~~ transfers, pursuant to the Education Open Transfer Act or
21 pursuant to Section ~~2~~ 8-113 of this ~~act~~ title, ~~in~~ to a school
22 district in which the student is not a resident shall ~~not~~ be
23 eligible to participate in school-related extramural athletic
24 competition governed by the Oklahoma Secondary School Activities

1 Association ~~for a period of one (1) year from~~ on the first day of
2 attendance at the receiving school ~~unless the transfer is from a~~
3 ~~school district which does not offer the grade the student is~~
4 ~~entitled to pursue~~ if the student did not letter in the school-
5 related extramural athletic competition at the student's prior
6 school.

7 B. A student who transfers prior to his or her sophomore year
8 of high school, pursuant to the Education Open Transfer Act or
9 Section 8-113 of this title, shall be eligible to participate in
10 school-related extramural athletic competition governed by the
11 Oklahoma Secondary School Activities Association on the first day of
12 attendance at the receiving school.

13 C. ~~If the student is granted an emergency transfer pursuant to~~
14 ~~Section 8-104 of this title, was granted a transfer for any reason~~
15 ~~prior to January 1, 2000, or enrolls pursuant to the Education Open~~
16 ~~Transfer Act and qualifies for a hardship waiver pursuant to the~~
17 ~~rules of the Oklahoma Secondary School Activities Association,~~
18 ~~eligibility to participate in school-related extramural athletic~~
19 ~~competition shall be determined by the Oklahoma Secondary School~~
20 ~~Activities Association.~~ If the student does not meet the criteria
21 provided in subsection A or B of this section and does not qualify
22 for a hardship waiver, the student shall not be eligible to
23 participate in school-related extramural athletic competition
24 governed by the Oklahoma Secondary School Activities Association for

1 a period of one (1) year from the first day of attendance at the
2 receiving school.

3 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2023.

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5 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON COMMON EDUCATION, dated 02/22/2023
6 - DO PASS, As Amended and Coauthored.

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