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April 17, 2025

ENGROSSED HOUSE
BILL NO. 1732

By: Moore, Hays, Deck, Burns,
and Munson of the House

and

Murdock and Bullard of the
Senate

An Act relating to school athletics; declaring right of schools to broadcast athletic activities; prohibiting certain Oklahoma Secondary School Activities Association contractual agreements from preventing school broadcasts; stating applicability of act; defining terms; providing for codification; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 27-200 of Title 70, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. Schools shall have the right to broadcast all high school athletic activities in this state in which the school's athletic team is participating.

B. If the Oklahoma Secondary School Activities Association enters into an exclusive broadcast agreement for an athletic activity, such agreement shall not prohibit a local broadcaster or

1 school from broadcasting a school's athletic activity in which the
2 school's athletic team is participating.

3 C. The provisions of this section shall apply to contracts
4 involving the right to broadcast that are entered into or renewed on
5 or after the effective date of this act.

6 D. For purposes of this section:

7 1. "Athletic activity" means any high school athletic pre-
8 season, regular season, or playoff game;

9 2. "Broadcast" means the live or recorded audio or video
10 transmission over airwaves, streaming, or other transmission of an
11 athletic activity, play-by-play, or other account of such activity
12 via radio, television, Internet, or other technologies;

13 3. "Exclusive broadcast agreement" means an agreement entered
14 into between the Oklahoma Secondary School Activities Association
15 and an organization to broadcast the Oklahoma Secondary School
16 Activities Association's athletic activities under which such
17 organization retains sole rights to broadcast such activities or
18 first right to broadcast such activities;

19 4. "Local broadcaster" means an organization, located in
20 Oklahoma, that provides local broadcast services for any activity of
21 a local school. Local broadcaster includes school-sponsored
22 organizations that produce student-organized broadcasts such as
23 educational courses or programs offered by the school; and
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1 5. "Organization" means an individual, public or private
2 corporation, partnership, limited liability company, association,
3 joint venture, or any other legal or commercial entity.

4 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2025.

5 SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
6 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby
7 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
8 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

9 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON TECHNOLOGY AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS
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