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A Bill

HOUSE BILL

1638

By: Representatives Todd and Rice

For An Act To Be Entitled

"AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS ATHLETICS AND ACTIVITIES
COMMISSION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. (a) There is created the Arkansas Athletics and Activities Commission.

(b) The commission shall be composed of five (5) members, appointed by the Governor for terms of five (5) years:

(1) one (1) member shall be appointed from each congressional district; and

(2) one (1) member shall be appointed from the state-at-large.

(c) In making the initial appointments to the commission, the Governor shall designate the terms of the initial members as follows:

(1) one member for a term of five (5) years;

(2) one member for a term of four (4) years;

(3) one member for a term of three (3) years;

(4) one member for a term of two (2) years; and

(5) one member for a term of one (1) years.

(d) Members of the commission shall serve without compensation but shall be entitled to mileage and per diem at the rate provided for state employees.

SECTION 2. The commission shall regulate all high school athletic activities and other extracurricular activities of public high schools in this state. The commission shall adopt regulations pertaining to the conduct of such activities. The regulations shall include but shall not be limited to the following:

- (1) the sanctioning of events;
- (2) eligibility rules for students;
- (3) athletic conference alignments; and
- (4) matters pertaining to contest or event referees and officials for public high school athletic or extracurricular activities.

SECTION 3. (a) The regulations of the commission shall not be effective until approved by the State Board of Education.

(b) All rules and regulations of the commission shall be promulgated pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act.

(c) The appeal from a decision of the commission shall be to the State Board of Education.

SECTION 4. All provisions of this Act of a general and permanent nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

SECTION 5. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed.

