

**HB251 ENGROSSED**



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A BILL  
TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

Relating to public K-12 schools; to prohibit public K-12 schools from taking certain actions regarding dependent children of active duty military parents; and to prohibit public K-12 schools from membership in athletic associations that take these same actions.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. (a) For the purposes of this section, the term "athletic association" means any athletic organization operating in this state that has authority over its member institutions' athletic programs, that receives public funds in any form, and whose member institutions make use of public facilities.

(b) (1) No public K-12 school may deny a dependent child of a full-time active duty military parent immediate eligibility to participate in an interscholastic athletic contest on the basis of the child enrolling in a new school due to the child and his or her parent making a bona fide move pursuant to permanent change of station orders received by the parent, regardless of the date upon which the child enrolls in the new school within the school attendance zone of the bona



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29 fide move.

30 (2) A public K-12 school and an athletic association  
31 may require a parent to provide his or her permanent change of  
32 station orders to substantiate a bona fide move that  
33 necessitates a child's enrollment in a new school.

34 Section 2. This act shall become effective on October  
35 1, 2024.



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Abstains 0

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Clerk