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- 3 By Senator Waggoner
- 4 RFD: Education Policy
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5	A BILL
6	TO BE ENTITLED
7	AN ACT
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9	Relating to the Coach Safely Act; to amend Section
10	22-11F-2, Code of Alabama 1975; to add Section 22-11F-4 to the
11	Code of Alabama 1975; to revise the definition of "youth
12	athlete"; to provide procedures for the Department of Public
13	Health to notify youth athletic associations that are
14	noncompliant with the Coach Safely Act of their noncompliance,
15	subject to the availability of funding and staffing; and to
16	provide penalties for further noncompliance.
17	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:
18	Section 1. Section 22-11F-2, Code of Alabama 1975, is
19	amended to read as follows:
20	"§22-11F-2
21	For the purposes of this chapter, the following terms
22	shall—have the following meanings:
23	(1) ASSOCIATION. Any organization that administers or
24	conducts high risk youth athletics athletic activities on
25	property owned, leased, managed, or maintained by the state,
26	an agent of the state, or a political subdivision of the
27	state. The term does not include any municipality or any
28	board, agency, department, corporation, authority, or

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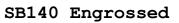


- 29 instrumentality of a municipality.
- 30 (2) ATHLETICS PERSONNEL. Athletic directors and other
- 31 individuals actively involved in organizing, training, or
- 32 coaching sports activities for individuals who are age 14
- years of age or and under and who have yet been admitted to
- 34 seventh grade.
- 35 (3) COACH. Any individual, whether paid, unpaid,
- 36 volunteer, or interim, who has been approved by the
- 37 association to organize, train, or supervise a youth athlete
- or team of youth athletes. If an individual approved by the
- 39 association is unavailable, the term may include an individual
- 40 selected by a youth athlete or a team of youth athletes who
- 41 has not been approved by the association.
- 42 (4) DEPARTMENT. The Alabama Department of Public
- 43 Health.
- 44 (5) HIGH RISK YOUTH ATHLETIC ACTIVITIES. Any
- organized sport in which there is a significant possibility
- 46 for a youth athlete to sustain a serious physical injury,
- including, but not limited to, the sports of football,
- 48 basketball, baseball, volleyball, soccer, ice or field hockey,
- 49 cheerleading, and lacrosse.
- 50 (5) (6) YOUTH ATHLETE. <u>Individuals age</u> An individual who
- is 14 years of age and or under and who has yet been admitted
- 52 to seventh grade participating in an organized sport."
- 53 Section 2. Section 22-11F-4 is added to the Code of
- Alabama 1975, to read as follows:
- 55 \$22-11F-4
- 56 (a) If the department determines that a youth athletic

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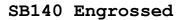


- association is not in compliance with Section 22-11F-3, the
- following procedures apply, subject to the availability of
- 59 funding and staffing:
- (1) After the first year of noncompliance, the
- 61 department shall privately notify the association in writing
- of its failure to comply.
- (2) After a second consecutive year of noncompliance,
- 64 the department shall notify the association in writing of its
- 65 continued failure to comply and post a copy of the notice on
- the department's public website.
- 67 (3) After a third consecutive year of noncompliance,
- the department shall levy a fine against the association. The
- 69 fine shall be 10 percent of the total revenue reported by the
- 70 association on its Internal Revenue Service Form 990, Return
- of Organization Exempt from Income Tax, for the previous tax
- 72 year.
- 73 (4) After a fourth consecutive year of noncompliance,
- 74 the youth athletic association may not administer or conduct
- any youth athletic activities on property owned, leased,
- 76 managed, or maintained by the state, an agent of the state, or
- a political subdivision of the state for a period of one year.
- 78 (b) A notice provided under subsection (a) shall
- 79 include:
- 80 (1) Instructions on how to comply with Section
- 81 22-11F-3; and
- 82 (2) An explanation of the consequences of continued
- 83 noncompliance.
- 84 (c) The department shall adopt rules to implement and





- 85 administer this section.
- Section 3. This act shall become effective on October
- 87 1, 2025.





88 89 90 Senate Read for the first time and referred ......11-Feb-25 91 92 to the Senate committee on Education Policy 93 94 95 Read for the second time and placed ............20-Feb-25 on the calendar: 96 97 2 amendments 98 Read for the third time and passed ......27-Feb-25 99 100 as amended Yeas 31 101 Nays 0 102 Abstains 0 103 104 105 Patrick Harris, 106 107 Secretary.

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