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SENATE BILL NO. 55

101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR O'LAUGHLIN.

1007S.01I ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary

AN ACT

To amend chapter 167, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to the participation of home school students in public school activities.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 167, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto

- 2 one new section, to be known as section 167.790, to read as
- 3 follows:
 - 167.790. 1. In order to receive funds under section
- 2 163.031, no school district shall be a member of, or remit
- 3 any funds to, any statewide activities association that:
- 4 (1) Prohibits a student who is receiving instruction
- 5 at a home school as defined in section 167.031, from the
- 6 opportunity to participate in any event or activity offered
- 7 by the school district or an attendance center of the school
- 8 district in which the student resides and where the
- 9 statewide activities association exercises authority, rules,
- 10 or guidelines for participating in such events or activities
- 11 for any reason relating to such student's home instruction;
- 12 or
- 13 (2) Requires a student who is receiving instruction at
- 14 a home school as defined in section 167.031 to attend the
- 15 public school of residence for any portion of a school day
- in order to participate in any event or activity offered by
- 17 the school district or an attendance center of the school
- 18 district in which the student resides where the statewide

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activities association exercises authority, rules, or guidelines for participating in such events or activities.

- 2. The department of elementary and secondary education shall withhold payments under section 163.031 for any district in violation of this section. The department shall release any withheld funds under this section upon the district providing satisfactory proof to the state board of education that the school district has ceased membership in the association and has ceased remission of any funds to said association.
- 3. A statewide activities association shall not prohibit or restrict any school district which is a member of such association from participating in any events sanctioned, authorized, or regulated by such association with any school that is not a member of the association.

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