

HB 2817 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Education

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Requires that schools, districts, and associations allow students up to age 19, participating in general educational development (GED) programs, to participate in interscholastic activities if they have taken and passed at least one practice test. Takes effect for the 2021-2022 school year. Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2021.

House Chamber Vote: Passed. Ayes, 46; Excused, 14--Bonham, Boshart Davis, Bynum, Clem, Grayber, Hayden, Levy, Nearman, Owens, Pham, Reynolds, Wallan, Williams, Zika.

REVENUE: *No revenue impact*

FISCAL: *No fiscal impact*

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

State law currently requires that homeschool and charter school students be allowed to participate in interscholastic activities at the neighborhood schools where they live.

House Bill 2817 A adds GED students up to age 19 who have taken and passed at least one practice exam to the list of students who, though not necessarily attending their neighborhood school, may participate in interscholastic activities there.