THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL No. 2461 Session of 2006

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, FEBRUARY 13, 2006

AN ACT

- Amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), entitled "An 2 act relating to the public school system, including certain 3 provisions applicable as well to private and parochial
- schools; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the
- 5 laws relating thereto," further providing for school
- 6 athletics and activities.
- 7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 8 hereby enacts as follows:
- 9 Section 1. Section 511 of the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30,
- No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, is amended by 10
- 11 adding a subsection to read:
- 12 Section 511. School Athletics, Publications, and
- 13 Organizations. --
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- (c.1) (1) Beginning July 1, 2006, the school district of 15
- 16 residence shall permit district residents enrolled in nonpublic,
- private or parochial schools of a not-for-profit nature to 17
- participate in activities covered under this section. 18
- Participants shall be subject to the following conditions: 19

- 1 (i) Participation in interscholastic athletics is excluded,
- 2 <u>although participation in intramural athletics is included.</u>
- 3 (ii) Participants shall meet the eligibility criteria, or
- 4 their equivalent, for participation in the activity that applies
- 5 to students enrolled in the school district.
- 6 (iii) Participants shall meet the try-out criteria, or their
- 7 equivalent, for participation in the activity that applies to
- 8 students enrolled in the school district.
- 9 <u>(iv) Participants must comply with all policies, rules and</u>
- 10 regulations, or their equivalent, of the governing organization
- 11 of the activity.
- 12 (2) Where the activity requires completion of a physical
- 13 examination or medical test as a condition of participation and
- 14 the school district of residence offers such physical
- 15 <u>examination or medical test to students enrolled in the school</u>
- 16 district, the school district shall permit a child enrolled in a
- 17 nonpublic, private or parochial school who wishes to participate
- 18 in the activity to have access to such physical examination or
- 19 medical test. The district shall publish the dates and times of
- 20 <u>such physical examination or medical test in a publication of</u>
- 21 general circulation in the school district and on its publicly
- 22 accessible Internet website.
- 23 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately or July 1,
- 24 2006, whichever is earlier.