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SB 1296: collegiate athletics; compensation Sponsor: Senator Shope, LD 8 Committee on Education

Overview

Permits a student athlete who participates in intercollegiate sports to earn compensation from the use of their own name, image or likeness.

<u>History</u>

The Revised Uniform Athlete Agents Act governs contracts between student athletes and athlete agents. The act: 1) outlines required provisions in a student athlete's contract; 2) requires notification to be given to the educational institution at which the student athlete is enrolled; 3) allows the student athlete to cancel the contract within 14 days of signing; and 4) prohibits certain athlete agent conduct, including providing materially false or misleading information, with the purpose of getting a student athlete to enter into a contract (A.R.S. §§ 15-1770, 15-1771, 15-1772, 15-1774).

The Revised Uniform Athlete Agents Act defines:

- 1) Athlete agent as an individual who recruits or enters into a contract with a student athlete;
- 2) Intercollegiate sport as a sport that is played at the collegiate level and for which eligibility requirements for participation are established by a national association of collegiate athletics:
- 3) *Person* as an individual, corporation, governmental subdivision, or any other legal or commercial entity:
- 4) Student athlete as an individual who engages in or is eligible to engage in any intercollegiate sport. If an individual is permanently ineligible to participate in a particular intercollegiate sport, the individual is not a student athlete for purposes of that sport. (A.R.S. § 15-1762)

Provisions

- 1. Requires a postsecondary education institution that competes in an intercollegiate sport to allow, to the extent permitted by the relevant national association for regulating collegiate athletics, a student athlete to earn compensation from the use of the student athlete's own name, image or likeness. (Sec. 1)
- 2. Prohibits a student athlete from having a scholarship revoked or denied or being deemed ineligible for participating in intercollegiate athletics based on earning compensation for the use of their own name, image or likeness. (Sec. 1)
- 3. Requires any athlete agent, who represents a student athlete earning compensation from their own name, image or likeness, to comply with the Revised Uniform Athlete Agents Act as outlined in statute. (Sec. 1)

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- 4. Prohibits a student athlete from entering into a contract providing compensation for the use of their own name, image or likeness if doing so:
 - a) Violates the intellectual property rights of any person, including the student athlete's postsecondary education institution; or
 - b) Conflicts with their team contract. (Sec. 1)