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AN ACT

IN THE COUNCIL FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To authorize the District of Columbia State Athletic Association to administer all school based interscholastic athletic programs operated in the District of Columbia to include all public schools, public charter schools and those independent schools who wish to compete for a District of Columbia athletic championships.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the “District of Columbia State Athletics Consolidation Act of 2016”.

Sec. 2. District of Columbia State Athletic Association established.

(a) There is established the District of Columbia State Athletic Association (“DCSAA”).

The DCSAA shall consolidate, under the Office of the State Superintendent for Education (“OSSE”), all administrative and operational functions associated with conducting school based interscholastic athletic programs in the District of Columbia.

(b) The DCSAA shall consist of board members representing the District of Columbia Public Schools (“DCPS”), the Public Charter School Board (“PCSB”), and each participating school. The Board shall be staffed by the OSSE.

(c) The Board’s officers shall be elected from among the board members once every 2 years. A member appointed to fill a vacancy shall serve until the expiration of the term or until a successor is appointed and sworn into office, whichever is later.

27 (d) The DCSAA shall be responsible for the oversight and management of all athletics
28 organized through the public schools, and the independent schools, both private and parochial,
29 who wish to compete for district based athletic competitions.

30 (e) The DCSAA shall be tasked with creating and developing the following:

- 31 (1) A unified set of interscholastic athletic rules to govern play;
- 32 (2) A unified set of health and safety standards for all student-athletes;
- 33 (3) Certification protocols for all interscholastic coaches;
- 34 (4) Certification protocols for all officials working interscholastic athletic
35 competitions within the District of Columbia;
- 36 (5) Resources to provide for fair and equitable allocation of athletic facilities;
- 37 (6) A unified public relations presence designed to provide exposure and
38 promotion of all student-athletes within the District of Columbia; and
- 39 (7) A master scheduling program that fairly and equitably allocates competition
40 venues.

41 (f) The Mayor, pursuant to Title I of the District of Columbia Administrative
42 Procedure Act, approved October 21, 1968 (82 Stat. 1204; D.C. Official Code 2-501 *et seq.*),
43 may issue rules to implement the provisions of this act.

44 Sec. 3. Fiscal impact statement.

45 The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement in the committee report as the fiscal
46 impact statement required by section 4a of the General Legislative Procedures Act of 1975,
47 approved October 16, 2006 (120 Stat. 2038; D.C. Official Code § 1-301.47a).

48 Sec. 4. Effective date.

49 This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the
50 Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), a 30-day period of congressional review as
51 provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December
52 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(1)), and publication in the District of
53 Columbia Register.