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99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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## 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 one new section, to be known as section 167.196, to read as follows:

**167.196. 1. For the purposes of this section, the following terms mean:**

**(1) "Eligible student", a student who is receiving home instruction and meets all requirements of a home school as defined in section 167.031;**

**(2) "School of residence", the public school in whose attendance area an eligible student resides.**

**2. An eligible student shall be afforded by his or her school of residence the opportunity to participate in any extracurricular activity offered by such school in the same manner provided to enrolled students. If an eligible student elects to participate in such an activity, the student shall not participate in that activity at another school or school district to which the eligible student is not entitled to attend.**

**3. The eligible student's district of residence shall afford such student the opportunity to participate in any extracurricular activity in another school in the eligible student's district of residence other than the eligible student's school of residence if the school of residence does not offer that activity.**

**4. An eligible student who seeks to participate or who participates in an activity on behalf of a public school is subject to the relevant policies that apply to students enrolled in the public school,**

22 including but not limited to policies regarding registration, age  
23 eligibility, fees, insurance, transportation, physical condition,  
24 qualifications, responsibilities, event schedules, standards of behavior,  
25 and performance, in addition to the home instruction academic and  
26 attendance requirements as described in section 167.031.

27       5. Any eligible student who commences home instruction after  
28 the beginning of a school year and who is, at the time home instruction  
29 commences, ineligible to participate in an extracurricular activity due  
30 to failure to meet academic or other standards as required by the  
31 public school shall not be eligible to participate in extracurricular  
32 activities until the beginning of the following school year.

33       6. No school or school district shall impose additional rules or  
34 fees on eligible students that differ from or exceed those that apply to  
35 other students participating in the same extracurricular activity.

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