

TITLE: CONCERNING CLARIFYING THAT, IF A STUDENT CHOOSES TO PARTICIPATE IN AN ACTIVITY AT A PUBLIC SCHOOL OTHER THAN THE STUDENT'S SCHOOL OF ATTENDANCE, THE SCHOOL DISTRICT IN WHICH THE STUDENT CHOOSES TO PARTICIPATE SHALL CHOOSE THE PUBLIC SCHOOL AT WHICH THE STUDENT PARTICIPATES.

Summary of Legislation

Under current law, if a K-12 student wishes to participate in an extracurricular activity not offered at his or her school of attendance, the student is permitted to participate at a different school in the district, or at a school in a neighboring district.

This bill clarifies that if a student chooses to participate in an activity at a public school other than his or her school of attendance, the school district shall choose the school at which the student may participate. The district must select a school that offers the greatest number of activities desired by the student.

The bill further clarifies that a student may participate in extracurricular activities at more than one school only if the original school of participation doesn't offer the activity; this limitation applies regardless of whether the student participates in activities at a public or non-public school. The bill takes effect on August 7, 2013, assuming the General Assembly adjourns May 8, 2013, as scheduled, and no referendum petition is filed.

Assessment

This clarification of current law is not anticipated to change the expenditure or revenue of any state agency or of local school districts. For this reason, the bill is assessed as having no fiscal impact.

Departments Contacted

Education