

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1171

By: Representative Tollett

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT CONCERNING INTERSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITY
ELIGIBILITY UNDER THE ARKANSAS OPPORTUNITY PUBLIC
SCHOOL CHOICE ACT; TO DEEM A TRANSFERRING STUDENT
UNDER THE ARKANSAS OPPORTUNITY PUBLIC SCHOOL CHOICE
ACT AS IMMEDIATELY ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN
INTERSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITIES IF THE STUDENT MEETS THE
REQUIRED ACADEMIC AND PHYSICAL STANDARDS; AND FOR
OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO DEEM A TRANSFERRING STUDENT UNDER THE
ARKANSAS OPPORTUNITY PUBLIC SCHOOL CHOICE
ACT AS IMMEDIATELY ELIGIBLE TO
PARTICIPATE IN INTERSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITIES
IF THE STUDENT MEETS REQUIRED ACADEMIC
AND PHYSICAL STANDARDS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-18-227, concerning the Arkansas
Opportunity Public School Choice Act, is amended to add an additional
subsection to read as follows:

(m) A student participating in the opportunity public school choice
option under this section is eligible to participate in an Arkansas Activity
Association interscholastic activity or athletic activity at the receiving
school to which the student has transferred immediately upon being approved
to participate in the interscholastic activity or athletic activity by the



nonresident school district if the student meets the academic and physical requirements of the interscholastic activity or athletic activity.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 6-18-1904, concerning the Public School Choice Act of 2015, is amended to add an additional subsection to read as follows:

(f) A transfer student attending a nonresident school district under this subchapter is eligible to participate in an Arkansas Activity Association interscholastic activity or athletic activity at the nonresident district to which the student has transferred immediately upon being approved to participate in the interscholastic activity or athletic activity by the nonresident district if the student meets the academic and physical requirements of the interscholastic activity or athletic activity.

/s/Tollett