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# HOUSE REPUBLICAN STAFF ANALYSIS

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#### **Nonpublic Extracurricular Participation**

- Allows nonpublic students who reside within the school district or in a contiguous school district, to immediately participate in a public school's athletic programs if the nonpublic school did not have the program for the previous 2 years.
- Fees may be charged by the school district and the nonpublic students must adhere to the public school's code of conduct.
- ¼ of the students are counted for classification purposes.

## **Section by Section Analysis**

<u>Section 1. Section 280.13 Requirements for interscholastic athletic contests and competitions</u>

Amended to say that the athletic union/association will monitor student participation in extracurricular interscholastic athletic contests or competitions.

The athletic union/association, when calculating a public school's or nonpublic school's enrollment to determine the sports classification, counts the enrollment of another public school or nonpublic school as ¼ of the enrollment of students in grades 9-11 as shown in the most recent basic education data survey.

From the effective date of this Act through June 30, 2027, football classification won't change due to the number of participants.

<u>Section 2. Section 280.13D Participation in extracurricular interscholastic athletic contests or competitions provided</u> by public schools --New Section

The school board shall allow a student who resides within the district and enrolled in a nonpublic school to participate in any extracurricular interscholastic athletic contest or competition provided by the district, but that has not been provided by the nonpublic school during the two immediately preceding school years.

The school board shall allow a student who resides in a contiguous district and enrolled in a nonpublic school to participate in any extracurricular interscholastic athletic contest or competition provided by the district, but that has not been provided by the nonpublic school during the two immediately preceding school years.

If the school board has established a fee for the cost of a student's participation in an extracurricular interscholastic athletic contest or competition, a nonpublic student or parent/guardian shall be responsible for payment of the fee. The amount shall not exceed the amount of the fee they've established for students enrolled in the district.

A nonpublic student shall participate under the same conditions as a public school student, including meeting the district's student code of conduct requirements.

A student who participates in the athletic contest or competition shall be deemed to satisfy the residence requirements.

#### Section 3. Effective Date:

Section on impacting classification size takes effect August 1, 2025.

## Section 4. Effective Date:

Participation section is effective upon enactment.