

1                                   A bill to be entitled  
 2           An act relating to the Florida High School Athletic  
 3           Association; amending s. 1006.20, F.S.; requiring the  
 4           Florida High School Athletic Association to adopt  
 5           bylaws requiring member schools to provide certain  
 6           health care services to student athletes; providing  
 7           requirements for such bylaws; providing an effective  
 8           date.

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 10 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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 12           Section 1. Paragraph (n) is added to subsection (2) of  
 13 section 1006.20, Florida Statutes, to read:

14           1006.20 Athletics in public K-12 schools.—

15           (2) ADOPTION OF BYLAWS, POLICIES, OR GUIDELINES.—

16           (n) The FHSAA, in consultation with the sports medicine  
 17 advisory committee established in paragraph (m), shall adopt  
 18 bylaws to establish requirements for the provision of health  
 19 care services to student athletes by member schools. The bylaws  
 20 shall require, at minimum, that when practicable:

21           1. Health care services for student athletes be as  
 22 comprehensive as practicable.

23           2. Member schools hire or contract with qualified health  
 24 care practitioners to provide health care services to student  
 25 athletes participating in collision and contact sports.

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26 | 3. Member schools provide for the legally compliant  
27 | collection, review, and storage of student athlete health  
28 | information, including, but not limited to, preparticipation  
29 | screenings and written medical clearance to return for student  
30 | athletes.

31 | Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2023.