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H.B. No. 2768

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to a ban from subsequent competition of a public or private
3 school student who assaults a sports official or other competition
4 judge during an extracurricular competition.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

6 SECTION 1. Subchapter D, Chapter 33, Education Code, is
7 amended by adding Section 33.090 to read as follows:

8 Sec. 33.090. CERTAIN STUDENTS BANNED FROM COMPETITION. (a)

9 In this section:

10 (1) "Assault" means conduct that contains the elements
11 of the offense of assault under Section 22.01(a)(1) or (3), Penal
12 Code.

13 (2) "Association" means the Texas Association of
14 Private and Parochial Schools or a successor organization.

15 (3) "League" means the University Interscholastic
16 League.

17 (b) A public or private school student who assaults a sports
18 official or other competition judge during a competition sponsored
19 or sanctioned by the league or association is prohibited from
20 participating in any subsequent competition sponsored or
21 sanctioned by the league or association.

22 (c) The league or association may suspend the student's
23 eligibility to participate immediately on the occurrence of an
24 alleged assault during a competition. Subsequent league or

1 association action implementing the prohibition of the student from
2 competition under this section must occur in accordance with
3 league or association rules or procedures applicable to the
4 student's conduct, provided that the rules and procedures are
5 consistent with the requirements of this section.

6 (d) The prohibition of a student from competition under this
7 section:

8 (1) remains in effect until the student graduates from
9 high school; and

10 (2) shall be enforced jointly by the league and
11 association, regardless of whether the assault occurred during a
12 competition sponsored or sanctioned by the league or the
13 association.

14 (e) For purposes of Subsection (d)(2), the league and
15 association shall share information regarding each student
16 prohibited from competition under this section on the basis of an
17 assault.

18 SECTION 2. Section 33.090, Education Code, as added by this
19 Act, applies only to conduct that occurs on or after the effective
20 date of this Act.

21 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.