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S.B. No. 795

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT  
2 relating to the transfer of the University Interscholastic League  
3 from The University of Texas at Austin to the Texas Education  
4 Agency.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 33.083(b), Education Code, is amended to  
7 read as follows:

8 (b) The University Interscholastic League is a part of the  
9 agency [~~The University of Texas at Austin~~] and must submit its rules  
10 and procedures to the commissioner for approval or disapproval.  
11 The funds belonging to the University Interscholastic League shall  
12 be deposited with the agency [~~The University of Texas at Austin~~] for  
13 the benefit of the league and shall be subject to audits by [~~The~~  
14 ~~University of Texas at Austin, The University of Texas System, and~~  
15 the state auditor. Copies of annual audits shall be furnished, on  
16 request, to members of the legislature.

17 SECTION 2. Section 67.26, Education Code, is transferred to  
18 Subchapter D, Chapter 33, Education Code, and redesignated as  
19 Section 33.0835, Education Code, to read as follows:

20 Sec. 33.0835 [~~67.26~~]. UNIVERSITY INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE;  
21 VENUE FOR SUITS. Venue for suits brought against the University  
22 Interscholastic League or for suits involving the interpretation or  
23 enforcement of the rules or regulations of the University  
24 Interscholastic League shall be in Travis County, Texas. When the

1 litigation involves a school district located within Travis County,  
2 it shall be heard by a visiting judge.

3 SECTION 3. (a) On September 1, 2023, the University  
4 Interscholastic League is transferred from The University of Texas  
5 at Austin to the Texas Education Agency in accordance with this Act.

6 (b) All forms, rules, and procedures of the University  
7 Interscholastic League that relate to extracurricular activities  
8 in public schools and that are in effect on September 1, 2023,  
9 continue in effect. Any proceeding pending on the effective date of  
10 this Act is continued without change in status after the effective  
11 date of this Act.

12 (c) All records of the University Interscholastic League  
13 relating to extracurricular activities in public schools are  
14 transferred from The University of Texas at Austin to the Texas  
15 Education Agency. Other assets of the league shall also be  
16 transferred to the agency unless the asset was acquired at the  
17 expense of The University of Texas at Austin, in which case the  
18 asset shall be transferred to the university.

19 (d) An employee working for the University Interscholastic  
20 League at The University of Texas at Austin becomes an employee of  
21 the University Interscholastic League at the Texas Education  
22 Agency.

23 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.