

SENATE BILL 1979

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49,
relative to participation in athletic activities by
home school students.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-3050(e)(1), is amended by designating the existing language as subdivision (A) and adding the following as a new subdivision:

(B) If a public school established under the jurisdiction of an LEA offers students the opportunity to participate in interscholastic athletic competition without the school being a member of an organization or an association that regulates interscholastic athletic competition, then the LEA shall permit participation in interscholastic athletics at such school by home school students who are zoned to attend the school.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-3050(e)(2), is amended by deleting the language ", if the student is eligible under the rules of the organization or association,".

SECTION 3. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it, and applies to the 2024-2025 school year and each subsequent school year.