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By Representative T. Johnson

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AN ACT concerning education; relating to the Kansas state high school 1 2 activities association and the system for classification of high schools: 3 authorizing the classification system to be based on student attendance 4 and other factors; amending K.S.A. 72-7114 and repealing the existing 5 section. 6 7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas: 8 Section 1. K.S.A. 72-7114 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-9 7114. (a) Any association with a majority of the high schools of the state as members and the purpose of which association is the statewide 10 regulation, supervision, promotion and development of any of the 11 12 activities defined in K.S.A. 72-7117, and amendments thereto, and in 13 which any public high school of this state may participate directly or 14 indirectly shall: 15 (1) On or before September 1 of each year make a full report of its 16 operation for the preceding calendar year to the state board of education. The report shall contain a complete and detailed financial statement under 17 18 the certificate of a certified public accountant. 19 (2) File with the state board a copy of all reports and publications 20 issued from time to time by such association. 21 (3) Be governed by a board of directors which shall exercise the 22 legislative authority of the association and shall establish policy for the 23 association. 24 (4) Submit to the state board of education, for its approval or 25 disapproval prior to adoption, any amendments, additions, alterations or 26 modifications of its articles of incorporation or bylaws. If any articles of 27 incorporation, bylaws or any amendment, addition or alteration thereto is 28 disapproved by the state board of education, the same shall not be adopted. 29 (5) Establish a system for the classification of member high schools 30 according to student attendance and other factors. 31 (6) Be subject to the provisions of the Kansas open meetings law act. 32 (7) Be subject to the provisions of the open records law act. 33 (b) (1) The board of directors shall consist of not less than 60 34 members as follows:

35 (A) At least eight directors shall be members of boards of education, 36 elected by local boards of education. At least two of such directors shall be

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1 elected from each congressional district of the state;

2 (B) at least two directors shall be representatives of the state board of 3 education, appointed by the state board;

4 (C) (i) directors who are representatives of the senior high schools 5 which are affiliated with a league shall be elected by the league;

6 (ii) the senior high schools which are not affiliated with a league shall 7 be represented by at least one director;

8 (D) at least four directors shall be representatives of the middle/junior 9 *middle and junior* high schools, elected by the middle/junior middle and 10 *junior* high schools;

(E) at least one director shall be representative of and selected byathletic administrators;

(F) at least one director shall be representative of and selected bycoaches;

15 (G) at least one director shall be representative of and selected by 16 speech communications educators;

(H) at least one director shall be representative of and selected bymusic educators; and

(I) at least one director shall be representative of and selected byscholars' bowl coaches.

21 (2) The directors appointed by the state board of education from the 22 public at-large prior to July 1, 2014, whose terms are set to expire after 23 July 1, 2014, may continue to serve on the board of directors until such 24 director's term expires. Upon the expiration of the term of any such 25 director, the governor shall appoint a successor member of the board of directors. In the event of a vacancy or the expiration of the term of any 26 director appointed by the governor, the governor shall appoint a successor 27 28 member of the board of directors. Any person appointed by the governor 29 shall not be employed by any school affiliated with a league in the Kansas state high school activities association, nor shall such person be a member 30 31 of the state board of education. The governor shall be provided a list of 32 those directors appointed pursuant to subsection (b)(1). The governor shall 33 make appointments pursuant to this subsection in order to attain, when 34 necessary, and insofar as possible, representation of ethnic minority groups 35 and both genders on the board of directors and to ensure that a resident 36 from each congressional district is appointed to the board of directors.

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(3) All directors are limited to six consecutive years of service.

(c) (1) An executive board which shall be responsible for the administration, enforcement and interpretation of policy established by the board of directors shall be elected by the board of directors from its membership, provided that a director shall serve at least one year as a member of the board of directors prior to being elected to the executive board. 1 (2) At least two members of the board of directors elected to the 2 executive board shall be directors appointed by the governor under 3 subsection (b)(2), provided such directors are eligible for election to the 4 executive board under this subsection. Members of the executive board 5 elected pursuant to this paragraph shall only be eligible to serve on the 6 executive board during the second, fourth and sixth years of such director's 7 term.

8 (3) Insofar as *To the extent* possible, membership on the executive 9 board shall be representative of ethnic minority groups, both genders, and 10 all geographical areas of the state.

(d) (1) An appeal board which shall be responsible for conducting
hearings provided for in K.S.A. 72-7118, and amendments thereto, shall be
elected as provided in this subsection. The appeal board shall consist of
eight members. The membership of the appeal board shall include:

15 (A) Four members who are board of education members, elected by 16 the boards of education of the member schools of the association; and

17 (B) four members who are school administrators, elected by the 18 member schools of the association.

(2) No member of the board of directors shall be eligible for election
 to membership on the appeal board. All members of the appeal board are
 limited to six consecutive years of service.

22 (e) The executive board is authorized to employ an executive director 23 and such other personnel as may be necessary to the exercise of the powers 24 and the performance of the functions and duties of the board of directors, 25 the executive board- and the appeal board. The executive director and all other personnel, except custodial, clerical or maintenance personnel, 26 27 employed by the executive board pursuant to this subsection, shall file 28 written statements of substantial interests, as provided by K.S.A. 46-248 through 46-252, and amendments thereto. 29

30 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 72-7114 is hereby repealed.

31 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its 32 publication in the statute book.