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**TO: All FACCS Administrators**

**FROM: Dr. Howard G. Burke, FACCS Executive Director**

**RE: Highlights of the House Education PCB on FHSAA**

**The following is being sent as a follow-up to the FACCS Capital Update on developing Proposed Committee Bills that will modify the current structure of the Florida High School Athletic Association (FHSAA). Below is a Flash Alert from the FHSAA on the matter & attached are the line Highlights taken from the PCB for your review.**

**If you have any questions please seek answers on this issue directly from the FHSAA and Legislative sponsors of the initiative.**

**Important Legislation Alert!**

The House Education Committee is scheduled to hear a proposed committee bill relating to high school athletics on Thursday. This proposed bill is far reaching and the FHSAA believes it will create “free agency” of high school student-athletes.

**Among many major changes, this proposed bill:**

- Promotes school choice for athletic purposes – a student may attend one school and play for another;
- Prohibits private schools and school boards from adopting more stringent rules on transfers; and
- Limits ineligibility to only three (3) criteria: GPA, falsifying information, and impermissible benefits – leaving out age, years of play, etc.

The FHSAA understands that work schedules don't always permit you to personally take part in the legislative process. However, this directly impacts all schools and we feel your voice should be heard.

**Please take time to read the attached document and express your views with your elected officials.**

**Proposed House Education Committee Bill can be viewed [here](#).**

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