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SENATE DRS55050-LE-68 (1/31)

Short Title: Test High School Athletes for Steroids. (Public)

Sponsors: Senator Forrester.

Referred to:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT DIRECTING THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO ADOPT RULES
REQUIRING RANDOM TESTING OF STUDENTS PARTICIPATING IN
INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ACTIVITIES FOR PERFORMANCE
ENHANCING DRUGS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 115C-12(23) reads as rewritten:

"§ 115C-12. Powers and duties of the Board generally.

The general supervision and administration of the free public school system shall be vested in the State Board of Education. The State Board of Education shall establish policy for the system of free public schools, subject to laws enacted by the General Assembly. The powers and duties of the State Board of Education are defined as follows:

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(23) Power and Duty to Adopt Eligibility Rules for Interscholastic Athletic Competition. – The State Board of Education may adopt rules governing interscholastic athletic activities conducted by local boards of education, including eligibility for student participation. The State Board of Education may authorize a designated organization to apply and enforce the Board's rules governing participation in interscholastic athletic activities at the high school level.

Prior to the 2007-2008 school year, the State Board of Education shall adopt rules that (i) prohibit the use of performance enhancing drugs, including anabolic steroids, by students participating in interscholastic athletic activities, (ii) require random testing for these drugs of students who participate in interscholastic athletic activities,

1 and (iii) ban participation in interscholastic athletic activities by
2 students who refuse to be tested or test positive for prohibited drugs."
3 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.