



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 535

LCO No. 1974

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Referred to Committee on Education

Introduced by:
(ED)

AN ACT CONCERNING DUE PROCESS IN TERMINATION OF COACHES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004*) If a local or regional board of
2 education contracts with a person to coach student athletes or hires a
3 person to coach student athletes for a sport season and does not renew
4 such contract or rehire such person, such board shall provide the
5 person with a copy of a written evaluation of the person's coaching
6 performance, no later than thirty days after the expiration of such
7 contract or the end of the season for which the person was hired. Such
8 evaluation shall include, but not be limited to, (1) a written explanation
9 stating any reason for the failure to renew the contract or to rehire the
10 person, and (2) an evaluation of the person by student athletes coached
11 by such person that is conducted by the principal of the school. The
12 board of education shall provide such person an opportunity to defend
13 his or her performance as a coach and to respond to any claims set
14 forth in the evaluations conducted pursuant to this section.

This act shall take effect as follows:

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Statement of Purpose:

To provide a procedure for the nonrenewal of a coach's contract.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]