



General Assembly

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Offered by:
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(As Amended by House Amendment Schedule "A")

"AN ACT CONCERNING COLLECTIVE BARGAINING FOR STATE MANAGERS."

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. (*Effective from passage*) The Commissioner of Education
4 shall conduct a study, within available appropriations, regarding the
5 workplace atmosphere for high school interscholastic sports officials
6 and referees. As part of such study, the commissioner shall review any
7 incidents of abusive conduct by school employees, student athletes or
8 fans against such referees or officials that a reasonable person, in a
9 similar situation, would find hostile or offensive, including repeated
10 infliction of derogatory remarks, insults or epithets, verbal or physical
11 conduct that a reasonable person in a similar situation would find
12 threatening, intimidating or humiliating. The commissioner shall
13 report the findings of such study, in accordance with section 11-4a of
14 the general statutes, to the joint standing committee of the General

15 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education by July 1,
16 2009.

17 Sec. 502. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2008*) (a) For the purposes of this
18 section, (1) "sports official" means any person who officiates or
19 enforces the rules at an amateur or professional sporting or athletic
20 event including, but not limited to, an umpire, referee, judge,
21 timekeeper and scorer, (2) "coach" means any person who instructs or
22 trains persons for participation in an amateur or professional sporting
23 or athletic event or supervises such participants at such event, and (3)
24 "teacher" means any person certified by the State Board of Education
25 pursuant to section 10-145b of the 2008 supplement to the general
26 statutes.

27 (b) A person is guilty of assault of a sports official, coach or teacher
28 when such person intimidates or harasses, or retaliates against another
29 person on account of the performance by such other person of such
30 other person's duties as a sports official, coach or teacher and with
31 intent to cause physical injury to such other person, causes physical
32 injury to such other person.

33 (c) Assault of a sports official, coach or teacher is a class D felony."