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To: Subst. Senate Bill No. 456

File No. 408

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"AN ACT CONCERNING STUDENT ATHLETES AND CONCUSSIONS."

1 Strike line 41 in its entirety and insert the following in lieu thereof:
2 "(2) On or before July 1, 2011, and annually thereafter, the State Board
3 of Education, in"

4 Strike lines 58 to 77, inclusive, in their entirety and insert the
5 following in lieu thereof:

6 "Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2010*) (a) (1) The coach of any
7 intramural or interscholastic athletics shall immediately remove a
8 student athlete from participating in any intramural or interscholastic
9 athletic activity who (A) is observed to exhibit signs, symptoms or
10 behaviors consistent with a concussion following an observed or
11 suspected blow to the head or body, or (B) is diagnosed with a
12 concussion, regardless of when such concussion or head injury may

13 have occurred.

14 (2) The coach shall not permit such student athlete to participate in
15 any supervised team activities involving physical exertion, including,
16 but not limited to, practices, games or competitions, until such student
17 athlete receives written clearance to participate in such supervised
18 team activities involving physical exertion from a licensed health care
19 professional trained in the evaluation and management of
20 concussions."

21 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
22 internal references accordingly:

23 "Sec. 501. (*Effective from passage*) The Department of Education shall
24 consider a coach of intramural or interscholastic athletics as having
25 successfully completed the initial training course regarding
26 concussions and head injuries required pursuant section 1 of this act if
27 such coach completes a course that is offered by the governing
28 authority for intramural and interscholastic athletics and is
29 substantially similar, as determined by the department, to the training
30 course required pursuant to section 1 of this act, provided such
31 substantially similar course is completed on or after January 1, 2010,
32 but prior to the date the State Board of Education approves the
33 training course pursuant to section 1 of this act."