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EXPLANATORY NOTE

The Constitution, Article 13, Section 11 provides that:

SEC. 11. The State shall adopt and integrated and comprehensive approach to health development which shall endeavor to make essential goods, health and other social services available to all the people at affordable cost. There shall be a priority for the needs of the underprivileged, sick, elderly, disabled, women and children. The State shall endeavor to provide free medical care to paupers.

Active participation in sports teaches our youth values such as teamwork, handling challenges, and overcoming obstacles. Sports keep the mind mentally and physically fit.

Learning institutions should inform prospective students of their athletic programs in order for prospective students to make an informed judgment of whether to enroll in the school or not.

This bill will require institution of higher education to disclose participation and program support expenditures in college athletic programs.*


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1 AN ACT
2 REQUIRING INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION TO DISCLOSE PARTICIPATION
3 AND PROGRAM SUPPORT EXPENDITURES IN COLLEGE ATHLETIC PROGRAMS

Be it enacted by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

4 SECTION 1. *Short Title.* - This Act shall be cited as the "Equity in Athletics Disclosure
5 Act."

6 SECTION 2. *Declaration of Policy.* - It is the policy of the State to promote physical
7 education and encourage sports programs, league competitions, and amateur sports including
8 training for international competitions, to foster self-discipline, teamwork, and excellence for the
9 development of a healthy and alert citizenry. All educational institutions are mandated to
10 undertake regular sports activities throughout the country in cooperation with athletic clubs and
11 other sectors. In pursuit of these objectives, equal opportunities should be provided to both male
12 and female athletes.

13 SECTION 3. *Definition of Terms.* -For the purpose of this Act, the term:

14 (A) "Secretary" means the Secretary of Education;

15 (B) "Institution of higher education" means an educational institution engaged in
16 educating individuals in the college of level which offers courses in pursuit of a specialized field
17 or line of profession; and

18 (C) "Operating expenses" means non-scholarship expenditures incurred in operating
19 an athletic team.

1 SECTION 4. *Disclosure of Athletic Program Participation Rates and Financial Support.*

2 - Each institution of higher education which participates in any athletic program recognized
3 Department of Education and has an intercollegiate athletic program, shall annually submit a
4 report to the Secretary:

5 (A) For each men's team, women's team, and any term, and any team that includes
6 male and female athletes, the following data:

- 7 (1) the total number of participants and their gender;
- 8 (2) the total scholarship expenditures;
- 9 (3) a figure that represents the total scholarship expenditures divided by the
10 total number of participants;
- 11 (4) the total number of contests for the team;
- 12 (5) the total operating expenses for the team;
- 13 (6) the total recruiting expenses for the team;
- 14 (7) the total personnel expenses for the team;
- 15 (8) whether the head coach is male or female and whether the head coach is
16 full time or part time;
- 17 (9) the number of assistant coaches that are male and the number of assistant
18 coaches that are female and whether each particular coach is full time or
19 part time;
- 20 (10) the number of graduate assistant coaches that are male and the number of
21 graduate assistant coaches that are female;
- 22 (11) the number of volunteer assistant coaches that are male and the number of
23 volunteer assistant coaches that are female;
- 24 (12) the ratio of participants to coaches;
- 25 (13) the full compensation of the head coach;
- 26 (14) the full compensation of the assistant coaches; and

27 (B) A statement of the following:

- 28 (1) the ratio of male participants to female participants in the entire athletic
29 program; and

1 (2) the ratio of male scholarship expenses to female scholarship expenses in
2 the entire athletic program.

3 SECTION 5. *Disclosure to Prospective Students.* - When an institution of higher
4 education offers admission to a potential student, such institution shall provide to the student the
5 information contained in the report submitted by such institution to the Secretary under the
6 preceding section.

7 SECTION 6. *Disclosure to the Public.* - An institution of higher education must make
8 available to the public, upon request, the information contained in the report submitted by such
9 institution to the Secretary under Section 4.

10 SECTION 7. *Secretary of Education's Duty to Publish a Report.* - On an annual basis,
11 the Secretary, using the reports submitted under this subsection, shall compile and publish a
12 report containing the information collected broken down by the individual institutions, and by
13 the athletic conferences recognized by intercollegiate athletic associations in which the
14 individual institutions participate.

15 SECTION 8. *Reports to Congress.* - The Secretary shall submit the reports compiled
16 under Section 4 to the Congress on an annual basis.

17 SECTION 9. *Separability Clause.* - If any provision or part thereof is held invalid or
18 unconstitutional, the remainder of the law or the provision not otherwise affected shall remain
19 valid and subsisting.

20 SECTION 10. *Repealing Clause.* - Any law, presidential decree or issuance, executive
21 order, letter of instruction, administrative order, rule, or regulation contrary to or inconsistent
22 with the provisions of this Act is hereby repealed, modified, or amended accordingly.

1 SECTION 11. *Effectivity Clause.* – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its
2 publication in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,