

VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 2005 SESSION

CHAPTER 481

An Act to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 22.1-276.3 and by adding in Article 1 of Chapter 15 of Title 22.1 a section numbered 22.1-292.2, relating to ineligibility for interscholastic athletic competition; suspension or revocation of license.

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Approved March 21, 2005

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 22.1-276.3 and by adding in Article 1 of Chapter 15 of Title 22.1 a section numbered 22.1-292.2 as follows:

§ 22.1-276.3. Ineligibility of students to compete in athletic competitions.

Any nonprofit corporation founded in Virginia in 1913 that currently organizes and governs interscholastic activities among the public high schools shall develop, implement, and enforce rules requiring that a student who is a member of a school athletic team be ineligible for two school years to compete in interscholastic athletic competition, if it has been determined by the school principal and division superintendent that the student used anabolic steroids during the training period immediately preceding or during the sport season of the athletic team, unless such steroid was prescribed by a licensed physician for a medical condition.

§ 22.1-292.2. Suspension or revocation of license for procuring, selling, or administering anabolic steroids.

A. The Board of Education shall suspend or revoke the administrative or teaching license it has issued to any person who knowingly and willfully with the intent to compromise the outcome of an athletic competition procures, sells, or administers anabolic steroids or causes such drugs to be procured, sold, or administered to a student who is a member of a school athletic team, or fails to report the use of such drugs by a student to the school principal and division superintendent as required by § 22.1-279.3:1. Any person whose administrative or teaching license is suspended or revoked by the Board pursuant to this section shall be ineligible for three school years for employment in the public schools of the Commonwealth.

B. Any suspension or revocation imposed in accordance with this section shall be rendered pursuant to Board regulations promulgated pursuant to the Administrative Process Act (§ 2.2-4000 et seq.) and § 22.1-298, governing the licensure of teachers.