

**Maryland General Assembly
Department of Legislative Services**

**Proposed Regulations
State Board of Education
(DLS Control No. 21-119)**

Overview and Legal and Fiscal Impact

The regulations alter the maximum number of contests for the sport of wrestling and alter the number of all-star games in which athletes may participate. The regulations make clear that the limitation on the number of games also applies to the number of events since many sports competitions are not referred to as games.

The regulations present no legal issues of concern.

There is no fiscal impact on State or local agencies.

Regulations of COMAR Affected

State Board of Education:

Supporting Programs: Interscholastic Athletics in the State:
COMAR 13A.06.03.03 and .04

Legal Analysis

Summary of Regulations

The change to COMAR 13A.06.03.03 alters the maximum number of contests during a wrestling season by allowing three contests in one non-tournament week once per season. A contest is a meet involving two or three schools.

The change to COMAR 13A.06.03.04 removes the restriction limiting a student's participation to two all-star games per sport thus allowing unlimited participation in all-star games. The proposed change also adds the term "events" to this provision because many sports contests are not referred to as games.

Legal Issues

The regulations present no legal issues of concern.

Statutory Authority and Legislative Intent

The State Board of Education cites §§ 2-205 and 2-303(k) of the Education Article as legal authority for the regulations. Section 2-205 requires the State Board to adopt regulations for the administration of public schools in the State. Section 2-303(k) requires the State Superintendent of Schools to perform certain duties.

The cited authority is correct and complete. The regulations comply with the legislative intent of the law.

Fiscal Analysis

There is no fiscal impact on State or local agencies.

Agency Estimate of Projected Fiscal Impact

The department advises that the regulations have no impact on State or local governments. The Department of Legislative Services concurs. Changing the number of all-star games or events that a student may participate in and the re-scheduling of regular season interscholastic competitions does not affect local school system finances.

Impact on Budget

There is no impact on the State operating or capital budget.

Agency Estimate of Projected Small Business Impact

The department advises that the regulations have minimal or no economic impact on small businesses in the State. The Department of Legislative Services concurs.

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