

By: Senator(s) Whaley

To: Education

SENATE BILL NO. 2679

1 AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE NOT-FOR-PROFIT ASSOCIATION,
 2 CORPORATION OR OTHER ORGANIZATION ESTABLISHED AND OPERATED FOR THE
 3 PURPOSE OF REGULATING PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS AND
 4 EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES, FORMALLY KNOWN AS THE MISSISSIPPI HIGH
 5 SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION (MHSAA), FROM REQUIRING MEMBER
 6 SCHOOLS TO CHARGE STUDENTS ATTENDING SUCH ACTIVITIES MORE THAN
 7 \$2.00 FOR ADMISSION INTO THE REGULATED EVENTS; TO PROVIDE THAT
 8 STUDENTS MUST PRESENT HIS OR HER STUDENT IDENTIFICATION CARD AT
 9 THE ADMISSIONS GATE TO RECEIVE THE DISCOUNTED PRICING; TO PROVIDE
 10 THAT STUDENTS AGE FIVE YEARS AND YOUNGER SHALL BE GRANTED FREE
 11 ADMISSION; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

13 **SECTION 1.** From and after July 1, 2024, the not-for-profit
 14 association, corporation or other organization established and
 15 operated for the purpose of regulating public high school
 16 athletics and extracurricular activities, formally known as the
 17 Mississippi High School Activities Association (MHSAA), shall not
 18 require any member school to charge any student attending such
 19 activities an amount to exceed Two Dollars (\$2.00) for admission
 20 to the regulated event. Upon presentation of his or her student
 21 identification card at the admissions gate, the student shall be
 22 charged the reduced price for admission, and any child five (5)



23 years of age and younger shall be admitted to the event free of
24 charge.

25 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
26 and after July 1, 2024.

