

**SB 1501 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

**House Committee On Education**

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**Action Date:** 02/24/20

**Action:** Without recommendation as to passage and be referred to Rules.

**Vote:** 9-0-0-0

**Yeas:** 9 - Alonso Leon, Bonham, Doherty, Helt, Hernandez, Neron, Reardon, Sollman, Wallan

**Fiscal:** Fiscal impact issued

**Revenue:** No revenue impact

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**Meeting Dates:** 2/24

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Establishes rights of student athletes to earn compensation for coaching and for use of their name, image, or likeness. Establishes right of student athlete to earn compensation for coaching at market rate where coaching is performed and retain professional representation. Prohibits student athletes from entering into contracts that conflict with the student athlete's team rules or contracts entered into by the student's post-secondary institution and a third party, as specified. Prohibits post-secondary institutions, athletic associations, conferences, or organizations from infringing on those rights or penalizing a student athlete who exercises those rights, as specified. Defines post-secondary institution to not include a community college. Takes effect January 1, 2023.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Referral of bill to another committee

**EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:**

California's Senate Bill 206, known as the Fair Pay to Play Act, was signed into law in September 2019, allowing student athletes at California's universities to receive compensation for use of their name, image, or likeness. The National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA)'s rules prohibited student athletes from receiving any compensation other than scholarships nationwide and this legislation was the first enacted in opposition. In October 2019, the NCAA Board of Governors (Board) directed NCAA's divisions to consider updates to policies relating to students' name, image, and likeness. The Board's Federal and State Legislation Working Group provided a report and is expected to provide updated recommendations by April 2020 to the Board.

Senate Bill 1501-A establishes the right of student athletes to earn compensation under certain circumstances.