



HOUSE BILL 2: Entry Fees for HS Interscholastic Events.

2025-2026 General Assembly

Committee:	House Education - K-12. If favorable, re-refer to Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House	Date:	February 25, 2025
Introduced by:	Reps. Pyrtle, Willis, Miller	Prepared by:	Brian Gwyn
Analysis of:	PCS to First Edition H2-CSBE-1		Committee Co-Counsel

OVERVIEW: *The 1st edition of House Bill 2 would require the State Board of Education (SBE) to adopt rules requiring that cash be accepted for admission to any high school athletic event and that those with a senior citizen Tar Heel card be admitted for free.*

The PCS would do the following:

- **Require public school units to accept cash for admission to middle school athletic events in addition to high school events.**
- **Allow public school units to deposit any cash received from athletic events on the next business day.**
- **Remove the provision related to Tar Heel cards.**
- **Make other technical changes.**

CURRENT LAW: G.S. 115C-12(23) and Article 29E of Chapter 115C of the General Statutes require the SBE to establish rules governing interscholastic athletic activities. Additionally, Article 29E establishes other requirements that public school units must follow when participating in interscholastic athletic activities.

G.S. 115C-445 requires schools to deposit any taxes or other moneys daily. However, the local board of education can authorize deposits to be made less frequently when the moneys on hand are \$1,500 or less, but in any event a deposit must be made on the last business day of the month.

BILL ANALYSIS: The PCS would require public school units to accept cash as a form of payment for admissions to high school and middle school interscholastic athletic activities. The governing body of the public school unit would be authorized to adopt a policy allowing any cash accepted at these athletic activities to be deposited the next business day. The policy would be required to include procedures for handling the cash prior to deposit.

EFFECTIVE DATE: The PCS would be effective when it becomes law and would apply beginning with the 2025-2026 school year.

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