

WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

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Introduced

House Bill 2449

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[Introduced February 15, 2017; Referred
to the Committee Education then Health and Human
Resources.]

1 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section,
 2 designated §18-2-25b, relating to setting certain safety standards for youth lacrosse; and
 3 requiring the West Virginia Secondary Schools Activities Commission to adopt certain
 4 safety standards for youth lacrosse under certain circumstances.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

1 That the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended by adding thereto a new
 2 section, designated §18-2-25b, to read as follows:

ARTICLE 2. STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

§18-2-25b. Youth lacrosse safety standards in West Virginia.

1 All organized youth lacrosse leagues for female lacrosse players in West Virginia shall
 2 follow the National Operating Committee on Standards for Athletic Equipment requirements with
 3 respect to the use of helmets for field players and goalies. In the event that the West Virginia
 4 Secondary School Activities Commission has authority over safety in female lacrosse games, it
 5 shall adopt rules regarding safety that include the National Operating Committee on Standards
 6 for Athletic Equipment requirements with respect to the use of helmets for field players and
 7 goalies.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to set consistent basic safety standards for female youth lacrosse in West Virginia.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from a heading or the present law and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.