

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That any county ~~school system~~ board of education subject to the provisions of this Act shall be in compliance with the provisions of this Act as expeditiously as possible, but no later than 3 years from the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2008.

Approved by the Governor, May 13, 2008.

CHAPTER 465

(House Bill 1411)

AN ACT concerning

Fitness and Athletics Equity for Students with Disabilities Act

FOR the purpose of requiring county ~~school systems~~ boards of education to ensure the ~~participation of that~~ students with disabilities have certain opportunities in certain physical education and certain athletic programs; providing for certain exceptions to these requirements under certain circumstances; requiring county ~~school systems~~ boards to provide certain accommodations; requiring county ~~school systems~~ boards to develop certain ~~programs~~, policies, and procedures; requiring county ~~school systems~~ boards to provide opportunities meeting certain criteria to students; ~~requiring county school systems to designate a certain employee to handle certain duties and responsibilities; requiring each county school system to provide notice of certain information to certain individuals; requiring each county school system to adopt and publish grievance procedures meeting certain criteria;~~ requiring the State Board of Education to adopt a certain model policy to assist certain county boards; requiring the State Department of Education to monitor compliance by county ~~school systems~~ boards with certain requirements; authorizing the Department to investigate and take or require certain action in response to certain complaints; ~~authorizing the Department to make certain determinations; authorizing the State Board of Education to take certain actions;~~ requiring county ~~school systems~~ boards and the Department to provide certain reports; requiring the Department to adopt certain regulations; ~~clarifying the availability of certain legal remedies; providing for the availability of certain legal action for noncompliance with certain provisions;~~ defining certain terms; providing for a deadline for local