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SENATE BILL No. 13

By Senators Hawk and Billinger

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AN ACT concerning schools; relating to the state high school activities association; contracts for exclusive broadcast coverage of postseason activities; permitting certain local broadcasters to cover a school's postseason activities notwithstanding such exclusive contracts.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. (a) If the association enters into *or renews* an exclusive broadcast agreement for a *regular season activity or* postseason activity, such agreement shall not prohibit a-local-broadcaster broadcasters from broadcasting a school's *regular season activity or* postseason activity if the local-broadcaster broadcasters:

- (1)—Provides **Provide** broadcast services for the school that is participating in the postseason activity;
- (2)—broadcasts a majority broadcast at least $\frac{1}{3}$ of the events of such activity during the regular season; and
- (3) entered into valid broadcast agreements to-broadcasts broadcast the events of the activity during the regular season.
- (b) The provisions of this section shall not prohibit the association from requiring—a local—broadcaster broadcasters to enter into a-regular season or postseason broadcast—agreement agreements with stipulations that may include, but are not limited to:
 - (1) Reasonable compensation for video broadcast;
 - (2) approval by host site;
- (3) limitations on organizations that are permitted to sponsor part of the broadcast; and
 - (4) requirements for competent and professional announcers.
 - (c) As used in this section:
- 28 (1) "Activity" and "activities"—means mean the same as defined in K.S.A. 72-7117, and amendments thereto.
- 30 (2) "Association" means the state high school activities association or any association authorized by K.S.A. 72-7114, and amendments thereto.
 - (3) "Broadcast" means the live or recorded audio or video transmission of an activity, play-by-play or similar accounts of such activity via radio, television, internet or other technologies.
 - (4) "Exclusive broadcast agreement" means an agreement entered into between the association and an organization to broadcast association

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11 12 activities under which such organization retains sole rights to broadcast such activities or first right to broadcast such activities.

- (5) "Local broadcaster" means an organization, located in Kansas, that provides local broadcast services for any activity of a local school. "Local broadcaster" includes a student organized broadcast that is offered as an educational course or program by the school.
- (6) "Organization" means an individual, public or private corporation, partnership, limited liability company, association, joint venture or any other legal or commercial entity.
- (7) "Postseason activity" means an association-sponsored activity that occurs after the regular season is complete, including individual games and tournaments.
- Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.