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A BILL

To amend section 3313.5315 of the Revised Code to 1
authorize any student from a country or province 2
outside the United States who attends an 3
elementary or secondary school in Ohio and holds 4
an F-1 visa to participate in interscholastic 5
athletics at that school on the same basis as 6
Ohio residents. 7

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That section 3313.5315 of the Revised Code be 8
amended to read as follows: 9

Sec. 3313.5315. Any student from a country or province 10
outside the United States, who attends an elementary or 11
secondary school in this state ~~that began operating a dormitory~~ 12
~~on its campus prior to 2014,~~ shall be permitted to participate 13
in interscholastic athletics at that school on the same basis as 14
students who are residents of this state, so long as the student 15
holds an F-1 visa issued by the United States department of 16
state. Such a student shall not be denied the opportunity to 17
participate in interscholastic athletics solely because the 18

student's parents do not reside in this state. 19

No school district, school, interscholastic conference, or 20
organization that regulates interscholastic conferences or 21
events shall have a rule, bylaw, or other regulation that 22
conflicts with this section. 23

Section 2. That existing section 3313.5315 of the Revised 24
Code is hereby repealed. 25