

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 910

BY REPRESENTATIVE THOMAS

ATHLETICS/TRAINERS: Provides relative to athletic training

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 37:3302(introductory paragraph), (1), (2), (8), (11), and (12)(a)
3 and (d), relative to athletic trainers; to provide for definitions; and to provide for
4 related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 37:3302(introductory paragraph), (1), (2), (8), (11), and (12)(a) and
7 (d) are hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

8 §3302. Definitions

9 As used in this Chapter, the following ~~words and phrases~~ terms have the
10 ~~meanings meaning hereinafter~~ ascribed to them in this section:

11 (1) "~~Athlete~~ Athletic injury" means ~~an individual designated as such by the~~
12 ~~board, an educational institution, a professional athletic organization, or other board-~~
13 ~~approved organization who participates in an athletic activity sponsored by such~~
14 ~~institution or organization.~~ any injury, illness, or medical condition sustained by a
15 person as a result of the person's participation in exercises, sports, games, or
16 recreational activities, or any activities requiring physical strength, agility, flexibility,
17 range of motion, speed, or stamina without respect to where or how the injury
18 occurs.

19 (2) "Athletic trainer" means an individual licensed by the board as an athletic
20 trainer with the specific qualifications set forth in R.S. 37:3306.1 who, under the

1 general supervision of a physician, carries out the practice of prevention, emergency
2 management, and physical rehabilitation of athletic injuries and sports-related
3 conditions ~~incurred by athletes~~. In carrying out these functions, the athletic trainer
4 shall use whatever physical modalities are prescribed by a team physician or
5 consulting physician, or both.

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7 (8) "Emergency management" means the care given to an ~~injured athlete~~
8 athletic injury under the general supervision of the team or consulting physician. To
9 accomplish this care, an athletic trainer may use such methods as accepted first aid
10 procedures approved by the American Red Cross, the American Heart Association,
11 or protocol previously established by the athletic trainer and the team or consulting
12 physicians.

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14 (11) "Physical rehabilitation" means the care given to ~~athletes~~ an athletic
15 injury following injury and recovery. These treatments and rehabilitation programs
16 may consist of preestablished methods of physical modality use and exercise as
17 prescribed by a team physician, consulting physician, or both. Physical rehabilitation
18 also includes working cooperatively with and under the general supervision of a
19 physician with respect to the following:

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21 (12) "Practice of prevention" shall include but is not limited to the following:

22 (a) Working cooperatively with supervisors and coaches in establishing and
23 implementing a program of physical conditioning for ~~athletes~~ the prevention of an
24 athletic injury.

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26 (d) Counseling and advising supervisors; and coaches, ~~and athletes~~ on
27 physical conditioning and training such as diet, flexibility, rest, and reconditioning.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Removes the definition of "athlete" and defines "athletic injury".

Present law provides definitions for "athlete", "athletic trainer", "board", "board-approved organization", "BOC", "CAATE", "educational institution", "emergency management", "general supervision", "physician", "physical rehabilitation", and "practice of prevention".

Proposed law removes the definition of "athlete" from present law.

Proposed law defines "athletic injury".

Proposed law removes "injured athlete" and replaces the term with the proposed law term "athletic injury", where applicable, in present law.

(Amends R.S. 37:3302(intro. para.), (1), (2), (8), (11), and (12)(a) and (d))